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Proceedings favouring BDPL stayed

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The High Court of Karnataka on Wednesday stayed the proceedings initiated by the Lokayukta on the plea of Bagmane Developers Pvt. Ltd. (BDPL) to stop BBMP's action to demolish encroachments on SWDs in Bagmane Tech Park.

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Many dialysis machines remain dysfunctional

BENGALURU
Several dialysis machines in the 169 State-run centres are either dysfunctional or have not been serviced causing severe hardship to patients. The issue was raised in the Assembly last week.

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Centre bans PFI, 8 front bodies for five years under UAPA

Action comes close on the heels of countrywide searches and arrest of hundreds of leaders of the organisation by the NIA and other agencies

Vijaita Singh
NEW DELHI

The Union Home Ministry on Wednesday declared the Popular Front of India (PFI) and its front organisations, including its student wing, the Campus Front of India (CFI), an "unlawful association" under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA). The Islamist organisation has been banned for five years along with eight associates or front organisations.

The Ministry issued another order empowering the States to notify places associated with the PFI and its front organisations where unlawful activity was taking place. According to the order, the District Magistrates will make a list of immoveable properties of the organisation and make an order that no person who, at the date of the notification, was not a resident in the notified place shall, without the permission of the District Magistrate, enter, or be on or in, the notified place.

Follow-up action: Security personnel deployed outside a sealed office of the Popular Front of India in Bhopal on Wednesday. PTI

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SDPI escapes ban, denies PFI link

The Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI), which was known as the PFI's political arm, has escaped the ban. An SDPI functionary said it was an independent organisation.

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MHA cites 4 murders in State; all PFI men in 1 case were acquitted in 2021

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

While the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) in its notification banning the Popular Front of India (PFI) cites four murder cases of Hindutva activists from Karnataka, all the accused members of PFI in one case were acquitted in 2021.

The notification cites murders of R. Rudresh (2016), Praveen Pujari (2016), Sharath Madiwala (2017), and Praveen Nettaru (2022) in Karnataka, apart from six other murder cases from Kerala and Tamil Nadu.

Nine PFI members, including the then Kodagu district secretary of PFI T. A. Haris, arrested for the murder of Praveen Pujari in August, 2016, were all acquitted in the case by the Kodagu district principal sessions court on November 30, 2021. Mr. Pujary was killed near Kushalnagar over tension in the town following a "Sankalpa Yatra" by Hindutva organisations that led to anti-Muslim sloganeering and stone pelting.

Police posted outside the Karnataka office of the Popular Front of India at Benson Town, Bengaluru, on Wednesday. K. MURALI KUMAR

The BJP had run a campaign in the run-up to the 2018 Assembly elections that 24 Hindutva activists were killed by Muslim fundamentalists, mainly PFI members during the 2013-18 Congress regime.

The fact that the then Chief Minister Siddaramaiah had withdrawn 175 cases, including those of rioting and other law and order offences in which PFI members were accused, had given an edge to the campaign.

The then Home Minister Ramalinga Reddy had released a fact sheet in which he said only 10 of the 24 Hindutva activists were killed by members of PFI, SDPI and other Muslim fundamentalists and also alleged that 11 Muslims were killed by members of Hindutva outfits, indicating a cycle of political violence. Recently, BJP worker Praveen Nettaru was hacked to death allegedly by PFI activists, triggering fresh demands for the ban.

Revised CET results on October 1

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) has postponed the announcement of the revised UG-CET-2022 results to October 1. The KEA, in a press note on Wednesday, said: "The revised UGCET-2022 results as per the orders of High Court shall be announced on October 1."

Earlier, Minister C.N. Ashwath Narayan while welcoming the High Court order on the CET-2022 repeaters row on September 23, had announced that the revised CET ranking list would be released on September 29. He had also said the first round of admission counselling would begin from October 3.

CBI begins investigation into case against D.K. Shivakumar

Special Correspondent
BENGALURU

Two days ahead of the entry into Karnataka of Bharat Jodo Yatra of the Congress, the CBI on Wednesday started investigation into the case related to disproportionate assets allegedly acquired by KPCC president D.K. Shivakumar, by conducting mahazar of his properties in Kanakapura and other places.

The mahazar of properties were conducted by the CBI at Kanakapura, Doddalahalli and Kodihalli along with Revenue Department officials. While sources said the development follows approval to proceed in the DA case against Mr. Shivakumar by the Legislative Assembly Speaker, it could not be ascertained when the permission was given.

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Sonia likely to meet Gehlot; Digvijaya sets eyes on party poll

Sandeep Phukan
Sobhana K. Nair
NEW DELHI

Congress president Sonia Gandhi is likely to meet Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on Thursday in an attempt to resolve the leadership crisis in the State.

Even as all eyes are on this anticipated meeting, Rajya Sabha member and former Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Digvijaya Singh could enter the race for Congress president, a source said.

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Centre extends free ration scheme for three months

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Union government has extended the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana for another three months from October 1.

This will allow beneficiaries under the National Food Security Act to continue to get five kg of food grains per person per month till December 31. The decision was taken at a Cabinet meeting here on Wednesday. This would help the poor and vulnerable sections in the festive season, the Centre said.

The scheme has been in operation since April 2020.

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These students win accolades for rearing caterpillars

Twenty-two students of Government Higher Primary School at Moodambail in Dakshina Kannada district get a pat from Navi Mumbai-based iNaturewatch Foundation for rearing 40 caterpillars to adult moths/butterflies

The Hindu Bureau
MANGALURU

Twenty-two students of Government Higher Primary School at Moodambail in Dakshina Kannada district have been engaged in an unusual activity this year -- rearing caterpillars. They have even won an award, thanks to their diligence in this unusual task.

The Navi Mumbai-based iNaturewatch Foundation, run by V. Shubhalaxmi Reddy, an entomologist, has honoured the 22 children for successfully rearing 40 caterpillars to adult moths/butterflies this year.

Around 200 schools across the country participated in this, and the highest number of caterpillars was successfully bred by students of Moodambail school.

A student of Government Higher Primary School at Moodambail in Bantwal taluk looking at the moth she has reared. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

These students from Classes VI to VIII were drawn into the project, thanks to the efforts of their headmaster Aravind Kudla. "I saw a Facebook post and contacted the project coordinators and involved our students in the project, which helped our children understand the growth of caterpillars," he said.

Collecting caterpillars

In August first week, children collected over 100 caterpillars from plants around their houses. They were brought to the school and kept in separate boxes with holes to breathe. The children regularly took care of the caterpillars, feeding them and cleaning the boxes.

"As many as 60 caterpillars were successfully reared to adult moth/butterfly. Of them, 40 turned into moth/butterflies by August 31, which was the date prescribed under the project," Mr. Kudla said.

The students physically recorded the plants from which the caterpillar were picked. Each change in the caterpillars' cycle was photographed and physical features were recorded. Mr. Kudla and other teachers helped students to record the findings in the digital format, which was sent to the organisers.

In the letter to Mr. Kudla appreciating the work of the children, Dr. Reddy said the foundation was thrilled by the students' excitement and interest throughout the project. "We greatly appreciate the effort put forward by you and your pupils," she said. The foundation has sent certificates to the 22 students and also presented them a field guide on butterflies.

Now, despite completion of the project, students have continued with rearing caterpillars in the school. An adult female Southern Birdwing, which is the largest butterfly in India and is billed Karnataka State butterfly, came out of the box maintained by Class VI student Prateeksha on September 26 to the joy of the entire school.

About the project

The caterpillar rearing project for schools, the foundation said in its website, was an effort to create an exhaustive database for moth hostplants. Presently, the hostplant database for moths in India was very patchy. The project would also facilitate further research in the area. By involving students, the foundation said, it was making them learn more about plant-insect interaction.

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NEWS IN NUMBERS

Free ration scheme for the poor extended by three months

44,762 In ₹ crore, the cost at which the government extended its programme to provide free rations to the poor by three months. The scheme to provide five kg of wheat and rice free of cost to 80 crore people every month, which was supposed to end on Friday, will now run through December 31, 2022. PTI

ED freezes Bitcoin related to a Kolkata gaming app firm

12.83 In ₹ crore, the worth of Bitcoins frozen by the Enforcement Directorate as part of an ongoing money laundering probe against a Kolkata-based mobile gaming app firm that is alleged to have duped a number of people. The accused was transferring the"illegally earned" amount through the gaming app to overseas locations. PTI

U.S. Pentagon admits to killing 21 civilians in Afghanistan last year

12 The number of civilians the U.S. admitted to killing in 2021 according to a Pentagon report. All of the civilian deaths occurred in Afghanistan. The Pentagon also reassessed its counts from the years 2018 to 2020, recognising 10 more dead and 18 wounded, all in Syria. NGOs publish much higher assessments of deaths and injuries from U.S. strikes in conflict zones. AFP

Swiss glaciers melting at record pace due to heatwaves, dry winters

6 The percent of the total volume of Switzerland's glaciers lost this year due to a dry winter and repeated summer heatwaves, shattering previous ice melt records, a report revealed. Three cubic kilometres of ice — three trillion litres of water — have melted away. According to an Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report, the melting of ice is one of the key threats from climate change. AFP

The number of foreign tourist arrivals dipped by 44.5% in 2021

1.52 In million, the number of foreign tourist arrivals (FTAs) in India in 2021 compared to 2.74 million in 2020, a negative growth of 44.5%. India received 677.63 million domestic tourist visits in 2021, an increase of 11.05% from 610.22 million in 2020, the report said. Travel and tourism created 79.86 million (direct and indirect) jobs. PTI

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Limited democracy, unlimited theocracy

When Khomeini established his clerical rule after Iran's 1979 revolution, many expected the new regime to collapse. On the contrary, Khomeini purged internal dissent and consolidated the clergy's grip over the country. However, four decades later, the system the Ayatollah built has started showing signs of age

WORLD INSIGHT

Stanly Johny

There's only a walking distance from the Imam Khomeini Square, the Qajar-era 19th century neighbourhood of the Iranian capital which used to be called Maidan-e-Toopkhaneh, to Ebrat Museum on Yarjani Street. A three-storey structure with torture wings, countless cells, echo corridors and iron doors, the building, designed by German engineers in the 1930s, was the headquarters of a section of the Shah's infamous secret police, SAVAK, before the 1979 revolution. All the dark corridors lead to a circular, roofless inner courtyard that's awash in sunlight. Sculptures of prisoners are hung from the iron grills of the courtyard. SAVAK used to hang prisoners on the grills and torture them – their screams would echo across the corridors and their suffering would be displayed for those in the courtyard. The museum has the images and names of the hundreds of inmates it once held – one of them was Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, the current Supreme Leader of Iran.

History repeats

The Iranian authorities turned the prison into a museum in 2002, to showcase the brutalities of the Shah's royal dictatorship. For the regime, the museum is a microcosm of all the evils of the monarchy from which Iranians were liberated by the Islamic Revolution. But four decades after the revolution, repeated protests accuse the Islamic regime of the same repressive reign from which it claims to have liberated the Iranians. After the disputed 2009 presidential election, there was an uprising challenging the official results, which was crushed by the security forces. In 2019, a fuel price hike triggered agitations that spread like wildfire across cities, which were also put down. In the latest flare-up, the death of Mahsa Amini, a 22-year-old Iranian-Kurdish woman while in custody of the country's infamous morality police, which has often been compared by critics to the Shah's SAVAK, has triggered nationwide protests.

A unique system

Iran's unique political system – which has been designed in such a way that the Shia clergy has ultimate authority in all critical matters related to the state, even as elections are held in regular intervals – is a child of the revolution. While it's popularly called the "Islamic revolution", the anti-Shah popular movement was not only Islamic. True, Ayatollah Ruholla Khomeini, who, while in exile in Iraq's Najaf, had called for the Shah's ouster, and became the embodiment of the mass agitations in the 1970s. But Iranians from different political sections, including nationalists, liberals, leftists and trade unionists, had actively joined the movement, seeking freedom from the Shah's dictatorship.

The Shah, Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, who had to briefly flee the country in the early 1950s and was restored after the CIA helped the monarchists orchestrate a coup against the democratically elected Prime Minister Mohammad Mossadegh, was more or less detached from the political reality on ground. He orchestrated grand ceremonies celebrating the monarchy (such as the extravagant 1971 celebration of "the 2,500th year of the Iranian monarchy" spending some $100 million), banned all political parties except the monarchist Resurgence Party (Hezb-e-Rastakhiz) and assumed himself the title of Aryan Sun (Aryamehr) – apolitical and spiritual guide of Iran. When an increasingly isolated Shah tried to consolidate more and more powers in his hands, SAVAK ran amok in the country, rounding up political dissidents.

Absolute power: Women cast their ballots beneath a poster of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini in Tehran in 2005. GETTY IMAGES

While the regime is trying to take a higher moral position over the repressive Shah monarchy, the protesters in the street tell a different tale

Iranians are no strangers to political rebellion and defiance. In 1896, Naser al-Din Shah, the fourth Shah of Qajar Iran, was assassinated inside a mosque in Tehran. The assassination and its aftermath would eventually lead to the Constitutional Revolution of 1905-1911, which led to the establishment of a Parliament in Persia. Reza Shah Pahlavi ignored this history of rebellion when he unleashed his forces on increasingly disgruntled protesters, which eventually led to his own downfall. When the Shah fled the country in January 1979, Khomeini was in Paris. He landed in Tehran's Mehrabad airport, which was controlled by the revolutionaries, on February 1, 1979. They turned a disused girls' school in central Tehran into a make-shift headquarters of the Revolutionary Council. And one of the first things Khomeini did was to form a paramilitary force – the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps. But the Islamists could not ignore other sections of the revolution completely. So, Khomeini ushered in a new system that would have an elected President and Parliament, while the clerics would remain firmly in control. He promised an Islamic revolutionary government based on Sharia, a model which he called Vilayat-e Faqih (Guardianship of the Faqih, or the Islamic Jurist).

Clerical control

Iran's state has both elected and unelected branches and the unelected branch is more powerful than the former. The President, Parliament (Majles) and the Assembly of Experts are directly elected, while the Supreme Leader, the Guardian Council and the Expediency Council are appointed by the clergy. The President is the head of the government, which is in charge of running the day-to-day affairs of the country, but is not the head of the state. The Supreme Leader is the most powerful person in the country and is both the political leader and spiritual guide of the Islamic Republic.

The presidential term is four years and Presidents cannot have more than two consecutive terms. The election process itself is largely considered fair (though there were disputes, such as the 2009 elections), but all the candidates are vetted by the Guardian Council, which usually disqualifies an overwhelming majority of the candidates. The 290-member Islamic Consultative Assembly (Majles) has the authority to legislate. But all the Bills the Majles passes should go to the unelected Guardian Council, which would vet whether the Bill is in compliance with the Islamic Constitution and values. The powerful Guardian Council has 12 members, a combination of six religious experts, who will directly be appointed by the Supreme Leader, and six Islamic legal jurists, nominated by the Chief Justice (who in turn is appointed by the Supreme Leader). So the Supreme Leader's office has direct or indirect control over the Guardian Council which oversees the elections, vets the candidates and has a veto over Parliament.

Absolute authority

Unlike the President, the Supreme Leader doesn't have any fixed term. Since the 1979 revolution, Iran has had only two Supreme Leaders – Khomeini (who died in 1989) and Khamenei. The Constitution mandates the 88-member Assembly of Experts to elect the Supreme Leader. The Assembly, which also has the authority to oversee and dismiss the Supreme Leader, is directly elected, but the candidates are strictly vetted by the Guardian Council, whose members are directly or indirectly picked by the Supreme Leader. If there are legal disputes between the elected Majles and the unelected Guardian Council, the 45-member Expediency Council, which advises the Supreme Leader, will have ultimate adjudicating powers. And all 45 members of the Council are appointed by the Supreme Leader, who is also the Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces. In essence, the 1979 Islamic Constitution ensures that the Supreme Leader and the clerical establishment stay firmly in charge of all branches of the state.

Principalists and reformists

There are different political groups in Iran but the political class is broadly divided into two categories – principalists (called hardliners by western media) and reformists. The principalists make up the conservative bloc that enjoys the support of the clergy, whereas reformists advocate political and social reforms from within. The election of Mohammad Khatami as President in 1997 was a critical moment for reformist politics. But Mr. Khatami, an influential and popular reformist, failed to usher in any major changes in the system, which is guarded by the clergy and the security establishment. Hassan Rouhani, the former President, was also a reformist, while the incumbent, Ebrahim Raisi, is a principalist. Currently, the principalists control all branches of the government, including the Presidency and the Majles.

When Khomeini established his clerical rule after the revolution, many expected the new regime to collapse. On the contrary, Khomeini purged internal dissent and consolidated the clergy's grip when the country was fighting an eight-year long war with Iraq. Four decades later, the system the Ayatollah built has started showing signs of age, with repeated mass protests, counter-mobilisation and state violence, overshadowed by an unending economic crisis. While the regime is still trying to keep the memories of the revolution alive and take a higher moral position over the repressive Shah monarchy whose violence has been displayed in Ebrat, the protesters in the street tell a different tale. The uprising over the death of Mahsa Amini could be the latest flare-up, but it is unlikely to be the last as the social disquiet in the Islamic Republic refuses to die down.

THE GIST

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INBRIEF

Anti-encroachment drive resumes across city

BBMP resumed the anti-encroachment drive in various parts of the city on Wednesday. In the Bommanahalli zone, the BBMP officials removed illegal structures built on the storm-water drain near Janapriya lake view apartment in Kodichikanahalli. "The encroachment of SWD in the city is being surveyed and marked, and anti-encroachment operations are being carried out in the city. Removal of illegal structures like two compound walls and a road constructed on an SWD, is going on in Bommanahali zone," officials said. The BBMP marked 5,000 m of encroachment in Mahadevapura zone recently.

BBMP releases final voters' list, to be uploaded on website

BBMP has released the voters' list for 243 wards in the city on Wednesday and the civic body said the final list will be uploaded on the BBMP website: bbmp.gov.in The list has been notified after BBMP gave time for voters to file objections or make corrections recently. There are 79,19,563 voters in the BBMP limits which is 243 wards.

HC stays Lokayukta proceedings favouring Bagmane Developers

The petitioner had questioned legality of an order passed by Lokayukta on September 12 interfering with Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike's action to remove encroachments on storm-water drains in Bagmane Tech Park at Mahadevapura

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka on Wednesday stayed the proceedings initiated by the Lokayukta on the plea of M/s Bagmane Developers Pvt. Ltd. (BDPL) to stop Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike's action to demolish encroachments on storm-water drains (SWDs) in Bagmane Tech Park at Mahadevapura.

"The prayer made in BDPL's complaint of which cognisance was taken by the Lokayukta *prima facie* appears to be outside the jurisdiction of the power of the Lokayukta under the section 8 of the Karnataka Lokayukta Act, 1984," the court said.

A Division Bench comprising acting Chief Justice Alok Aradhe and Justice S. Vishwajith Shetty passed the interim order on a PIL petition filed by Samaj Parivarthana Samudaya. The petitioner questioned the legality of an order passed by the Lokayukta on September 12 interfering with BBMP's action to remove storm-water drain encroachments at Bagmane Tech Park.

A Division Bench passed the interim order on a PIL petition filed by Samaj Parivarthana Samudaya.

"On a Sunday, somebody goes to Lokayukta and stay is granted? What is this? The High Court is hearing a PIL on SWDs. This court has issued directions to the government, had taken them to task...," the Bench orally observed when an advocate representing the Lokayukta voluntarily tried to clarify the action of the Lokayukta.

The advocate, who was among the panel of advocates for Lokayukta institution and was present in the court hall, voluntarily accepted notice and tried to clarify the issue before the Lokayukta when the Bench was dictating the interim order after the preliminary arguments of senior advocate Basavaraj S., representing the petitioner.

"Do you want to argue the matter without even reading the petition? If you want to argue that in respect of a matter which is *sub-judice* before this court you [Lokayukta] can....," the court asked Lokayukta's advocate.

"Look at the plea in the complaint before the Lokayukta. The builder seeks an order of stay against demolition. Whether it falls within the preview of Lokayukta," the Bench told him, while making it clear that "this is an assumption of jurisdiction, which we will not permit."

The further told the advocate orally that "No need for the people to seek injunction or file no case before any court... You should give wide publicity that the office of the Lokayukta can grant stay of demolition.... Very interesting that Lokayukta gets jurisdiction to grant an order of injunction when BBMP demolishes structures properties..."

When the advocate said there was 'misinformation' on Lokayukta's action in BDPL's case, the Bench made it clear that there was no misinformation while pointing out that it had passed an order in the PIL that no parallel authority should pass any order after it was stated that Lokayukta had stayed demolition in BDPL's case.

The Bench also told the advocate his conduct compelled it to make these oral observations while telling him not to provoke the court to make more remarks.

Fireman held for extorting money from salons posing as CCB officer

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The Kodigehalli police on Wednesday arrested a 33-year-old fireman from Peenya who allegedly extorted money from spas and salons across the city posing as a CCB officer.

The accused had left a mobile phone number with the managers of the firm demanding monthly protection money to be transferred, which helped the police track him down.

The accused has been identified as T.R. Anand, working in the fire and emergency services in Athani, and presently staying in a rented house in Peenya. He would visit spas and saloons and threaten to carry out raids if the protection money was not paid. Using this modus operandi, he took money ranging from ₹2,000 to ₹25,000 from four spas and salons in Kodigehalli, Vidyaranyapura, and two in Electronics City.

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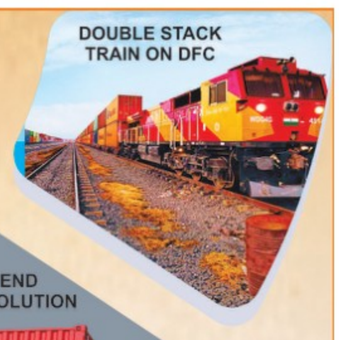

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH AT 34th AGM OF CONTAINER CORPORATION OF INDIA

V. Kalyana Rama
Chairman and Managing Director

Dear Members,

A very warm good afternoon to all of you. It is my privilege and honour to welcome you at this 34th Annual General Meeting of your Company. On behalf of the entire Board and Management, I would like to thank each one of you for sparing your precious time and connecting with us virtually once again.

First of all, I congratulate you on Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrating 75th year of India's Independence. Over these years backed by the committed workforce and robust democracy, India has emerged as one of the fastest growing economy in the world. At present, India is the World's fifth largest economy and is expected to be among top three economies globally over the next decade.

Due to Covid-19 pandemic, the last two years were challenging for all of us. It is indeed satisfying to see that the world has almost overcome the pandemic now. However, there is a widespread uncertainty, owing to severe economic stress, untamed inflation, geopolitical tensions and supply chain disruption, which is threatening to trigger global recession. In such an unpredictable environment, it is heartening that our country has demonstrated admirable resilience and robust recovery driven by the Government's proactive policy measures and skillful management of the pandemic. It is commendable that while astutely addressing immediate challenges, the Government has continued to carry out path breaking reforms and policy interventions to create conducive environment enhancing our competitiveness globally. As a result, the India story is thriving and our Country is poised to attract global investments and grow steadily in future.

Amidst the global disruptions and challenges, your Company has kept its focus on providing uninterrupted logistics support with its efficient services to the trade and industry. It has performed consistently well and improved its strong fundamentals. Your Company is optimistic about the economic scenario going forward and is well poised to seize the emerging business opportunities.

The report of the Directors and Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022, with the reports of Auditors and comments of Comptroller and Auditor General of India have already been circulated to you and with your permission, I will take them as read. Now, I would like to elaborate the brief financial highlights and achievements during the year 2021-22 along with the future prospects of the Company.

ECONOMIC SCENARIO:

Though the outlook for global economy in short term is clouded by considerable uncertainties, its long-term positive outlook is still intact. As per the World Economic outlook report of International Monetary Fund (IMF), the global growth in 2022 is expected to slow down from 6.1% in the 2021 to 3.2% in 2022 and for India, it has predicted growth of 7.4% and 6.1% in the year 2022 and 2023 respectively. The pandemic has fast tracked the journey into the future through exponential pace of digital adoption and innovations world over. Never before in a short time, so many transformations have taken place. In the turbulent environment, resilience shown by the Indian Economy has kept it buoyant. The release of suppressed demand, the ease of mobility restrictions, nearly universal vaccine coverage, impetus on infrastructure, various initiatives taken by the Government of India are all helping in the revival of business. In this process, the service sector will be the engine of significant growth in which the logistics sector is likely to play a vital role.

SECTORAL PERFORMANCE:

During the year, Indian Railways registered an increase of 15% in the originating loading cargo from 1,233.22 million tonnes in 2020-21 to 1,418.27 million tonnes in the year 2021-22. The originating containerized cargo transported by rail has increased by 17.63% from 63.23 million tonnes in 2020-21 to 74.38 million tonnes in 2021-22.

In value terms, total exports of the country increased by 43.81% from 291.81 billion dollars in 2020-21 to 419.65 billion dollars in 2021-22. Imports of the country have also registered positive growth by 55.13% from 394.44 billion dollars in 2020-21 to 611.89 billion dollars in 2021-22.

The growth of the logistics sector is largely driven by the economic activities internationally and within the country. The Government has recognized the importance of infrastructure and logistics industry in the economic growth and has taken many initiatives in this direction. The work started under National Infrastructure Pipeline (NIP), National Monetization Pipeline (NMP) and PM Gati Shakti-National Master Plan for Multi-modal Connectivity, will go a long way for sustainable development of infrastructure in the country. Various steps under the AatmaNirbhar Bharat, Production Linked Incentive (PLI), etc. will help in the growth and development of the industries within the country. The plan to set up 25,000 km of new highways, 100 new cargo terminals, multimodal connectivity between mass urban transport and railways along with faster implementation and innovative ways of financing will give a big boost to logistics facilities across the country.

The National Logistics Policy (NLP) unveiled by Hon'ble Prime Minister, will help in establishing a technologically enabled, integrated, cost-efficient, sustainable and trusted logistics ecosystem in the country for accelerated and inclusive growth. The policy aims to reduce cost of logistics in India. By doing away with the host of long and cumbersome process for the trade, the Unified Logistics Interface Platform (ULIP), will bring all the digital services related to the transportation sector into a single portal.

Your Company is fully geared to take advantage from the above initiatives to achieve substantial growth.

PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS:

With the relentless commitment and dedication of every member of CONCOR family, your company has achieved yet another year of outstanding performance. I am delighted with the performance of your Company as it has done extremely well on all fronts. The impressive performance of the Company on various parameters such as physical volumes, financial, CAPEX, dividend, etc. are as follows:

Business Volumes, Turnover and Profitability

The year 2021-22 has been the year of outstanding performance for your Company, in which it achieved the highest ever handling volumes of 4 million TEUs as against 3.6 million TEUs in the FY 2020-21 i.e. a growth of 11.8%. It transported 47.69 million tonnes of cargo volume by rail during the year showing 13.5% increase over previous year. It registered a growth of 7.7% and 32.3% in EXIM and Domestic throughput respectively. The Company also achieved the highest ever gross turnover of Rs.7,857 crores, as against Rs.6,670 crores in FY 2020-21 i.e. a growth of 17.8%. The Profit after tax of the Company stood at Rs.1,062 crores with an increase of 111% over previous year.

Capital Expenditure

To achieve the mission of becoming the first choice of our customers, the Company remains firmly committed for development and expansion of its terminals, acquisition of wagons, containers, handling equipment and creating IT Infrastructure. In 2021-22, the Company has developed two new facilities at Multi Modal Logistics Park at Mundra, Gujarat and Rail Transhipment Hub at Swarupganj, Rajasthan. It has incurred Rs.603 crores as Capital expenditures. At the year end, it has a robust fleet of 16,679 wagons, 37,431 containers, 108 RSTs, 14 gantry cranes and 31 Reefer power packs of different capacity.

Net Worth, Dividend and Market Capitalisation

The Net worth and market capitalization of the Company as on 31.03.2022 was Rs.10,777 crores and Rs.40,954 crores respectively. The Company has always followed the policy of sharing the wealth it has created amongst its shareholders. During the year, on equity share of Rs. 5/- each, two interim dividends of 80% (Rs. 4/- per share) and 40% (Rs. 2/- per share) were paid to the shareholders and a final dividend of 60% (Rs.3/- per share) for the FY 2021-22 has been recommended for approval of shareholders. With this, the total dividend payment for the year, will be amounting to Rs.548.36 crores, which is 51.62% of net profit. As a testimony of your confidence in the Company, the numbers of shareholders have grown consistently over the years and as on 31.03.2022, the number of shareholders were 1.36 lakh.

STRATEGIES AND INITIATIVES:

Your Company continues to be the market leader in multi-modal logistics in India with the largest available network of container terminals having presence in almost all container handling ports and major industrial hubs. It has a large fleet of rolling stock, containers, handling equipment, IT enabled operations with customs and customers interface enabling your Company to provide efficient and reliable value-added services.

Recently, the Union Cabinet has approved Railways' land policy to implement PM Gati-Shakti Cargo Terminal framework which will help in setting up and development of infrastructure required for boosting the growth of logistics sector.

The Company has developed complete dust proof and moisture free solution for loading, unloading & transportation of bulk Cement & Fly Ash into the silo and bulker through 20' ISO standard containers. This will not only help in capturing the substantial volumes of traffic by rail but will also be an environment friendly mode of transporting commodities in bulk.

To support the EXIM trade dealing with shortage of containers in hinterland, scheme of aggressive discount for repositioning of empty containers for export purpose has been introduced. Steps are also taken to meet the shortage of containers for exporters in which CONCOR provided its own containers for overseas movement. In order to promote the AatmaNirbhar Bharat in container manufacturing, initiatives have been taken by floating EOI for development of vendors for indigenous manufacturing. Subsequently, orders for procurement of 18,000 containers were placed with indigenous manufacturers.

The Company has introduced business solutions services under which single window services for various activities pertaining to custom clearance, cargo and container transportations are being provided in most economic and reliable manner.

The Company has developed solutions for improving its asset utilisation through introduction of shunting locos in phased manner at our major terminals. This will result in efficient handling at terminals and reduction in the detention time. All the new procurements of containers and wagons are of higher carrying capacity. The focus area is now going to be carrying the commodities in bulk and commencement of distribution logistics under PPP mode.

During the year, work was done through many other business initiatives, to name a few are usage of high capacity BLCS rakes for containers movement, carrying wheat in bulk, banana export through special container trains, running of two double stake rakes of 180 TEUs as python rake of 360 TEUs from our terminal at Khatuwas (Rajasthan), Bonded trucking facilities, etc.

SUBSIDIARIES, JOINT VENTURES AND ALLIANCES:

To diversify, expand and enter the new markets, your company has entered into different business alliances, including by setting up JVs (Joint Ventures) and Subsidiaries. At Present, your Company has four Subsidiaries and ten Joint Venture (JV) Companies. These alliances are in the related fields of sea port operations, last mile connectivity, container freight stations, air cargo and cold chain logistics. With such partnerships, we have achieved several synergic benefits and they have contributed to the revenues of CONCOR and have helped in the overall growth of its business. Most of the JVs are doing very well and have been paying dividend regularly.

TECHNOLOGY AND STANDARDISATION:

The Company is actively involved in leveraging its existing digital assets and has undertaken further investments in technology driven solutions to improve operational efficiencies with focus on providing quality services. With the usage of well established digital assets during the pandemic, all our terminals operated at full capacity. The Company works in paperless e-office environment and all its operating and financial systems are well integrated. As an organisation, we always strive to excel with the use of latest and more advanced technologies. We believe that extensive use of technology will help us respond to the ever-changing business scenarios and stay ahead in the market. To improve its service standards, your Company is working on further automation of its operations by planning implementation of Artificial Intelligence (AI) based systems at its terminals. The adoption of AI will improve our service standard as the movement of containers and cargo at the terminals can be captured and shared on real time basis without any manual intervention.

HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT:

Your Company's journey up till now would have been impossible without the dedication and hard work of Team CONCOR. The Company is focussed on attracting, developing and retaining the meritorious talent. It encourages its workforce to identify their short and long term goals and through training, motivation, exposure, etc., guidance is provided to achieve the same. Regular initiatives are taken to keep the workforce updated with the latest technologies and skill-sets that are necessary to fulfil the organisational as well as individual goals.

CONCOR IT Initiatives

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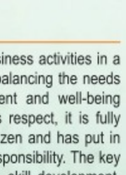
1. KYCL -For online track and trace through mobile app, chatbot etc.
2. Mobile App -For customers like track & trace, tariff, company directory, news and terminal information etc.
3. e-filing -application through Mobile App for EXIM (reports and queries).
4. e-office -replacing the physical files
5. e-filing facility -for online booking of containers.
6. e-contractor billing -for online submission of invoices



It is believed that a diverse workforce brings with it, different perspectives, experiences and competencies and making us more innovative, inclusive, and competitive. The work environment which actively incorporates different ideas, perspectives and leadership styles is encouraged. The endeavour is always to create a workplace that promotes gender equality, diversity and inclusivity. I deeply admire and appreciate the courage and determination of our team, as their professionalism, motivation and dedication has helped us in achieving our goals.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE:

Your Company is a Navratna Undertaking and good Corporate Governance is the core to its success. It conducts its business in a responsible way by maintaining a high level of organizational integrity and ethical behavior. It has put in place the framework of best policies, practices, structure and ethics in the Organisation. Today your Company is a well respected corporate citizen and it has earned the trust and goodwill of all the stakeholders. It is committed to do things the right way, which includes taking business decisions and acting in ways that are ethical and compliant to applicable legislations. In my view the foundation for our success has been rooted in our work culture and values with our ethos of 'Customer Value Creation'.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:

Your Company always believes in carrying out its business activities in a socially and environmentally responsible manner by balancing the needs of all stakeholders and contributing to the upliftment and well-being of the disadvantaged sections of the society. In this respect, it is fully conscious and sensitive of its role as a corporate citizen and has put in place a well-structured policy on Corporate Social Responsibility. The key areas covered were in the field of health, education, skill development, environment sustainability, sports, infrastructure development, etc. An amount of Rs.15.17 crores was utilized during the year on CSR activities, which inter-alia included work in the following areas:

- Infrastructure Development of schools.
- Construction of toilet blocks at public places.
- Education for poor children in Uttar Pradesh and Delhi.
- Cancer detection camps and hand holding with cancer patients in Delhi, Visakhapatnam and Hyderabad.
- Organizing Mobile medical camps and free cataract surgeries for stakeholders in NCR.
- Support in prevention of beggary, promoting education and creating sports infrastructure.
- Providing support for Covid-19 in the form of vaccination, equipment like oxygen concentrators, ICU ventilators, medical beds, etc.
- In four aspirational districts Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh), Asifabad (Telangana), Chandauli and Shravasti (Uttar Pradesh), assistance was provided for procurement of various health equipment, provided scooter for medical workers, construction of public toilets, set up water ATM/RO plants, construction of Asha Ghar/Waiting hall (with toilet), etc.

WAY FORWARD:

Your Company is sharpening its focus on the holistic growth, which will not only be in terms of profits but will bring positive changes and impacts on the society and environment. This approach will help us creating sustainable value for our customers, employees and other stakeholders.

I am of the firm belief that the logistics is going to be the sunrise sector of the future. With this vision, CONCOR has been moving ahead and taking lot of business initiatives, to tap the opportunities that will come on its way.

The pace of economic activity has picked up during FY 2021-22 and the momentum is expected to continue. Economic activities such as expansion of road infrastructure, commencement of operations of dedicated freight corridors, implementation of various plans of Government under PM Gati-Shakti, AatmaNirbhar Bharat, NIP, NLP, PLI, etc. will open new avenues for

substantial growth in the logistics sector for which your Company is future ready. The initiatives taken by your Company in the field of moving bulk cargo in containers, increase in double stack movements of containers, expansion of business in neighbouring countries, distribution logistics, Non Vessel Owning Common Carrier (NVOCC) service, container as warehouse, development of rail trans-shipment hubs, solutions for First Mile Last Mile (FMLM) connectivity, etc. will substantially contribute towards the future growth of its business.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Before concluding, I on behalf of the Board of Directors, would like to thank the Ministry of Railways, Shipping, Commerce and Industry, Finance other Ministries, Departments of the Government of India, various State Governments, shareholders, investors, JV partners, lenders, suppliers and customers for their consistent support and motivation.

I acknowledge and appreciate the guidance and valuable support of colleagues on the Board, C&AG of India and our Auditors. I also extend my thanks to the electronic and print media for providing constructive coverage.

My heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to all the employees of the Company for their consistent outstanding performance and contributions.

Dear shareholders, I would like to thank you for your trust and confidence which has always been the vital fuel in our majestic journey of steady growth and success.

I wish and pray for the good health and safety of you and your loved ones.

Thank you once again, Ladies and Gentlemen.

28th September, 2022 (V. Kalyana Rama)
New Delhi Chairman and Managing Director

Note: This does not purport to be a record of the proceedings of the 34th Annual General Meeting of the Company.

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The Indian National Congress: a grand old party and the demanding path to its revival

The Congress's decline is to be seen in the context of majoritarianism as well as internal factors related to the party. What the party needs now is an organisational regeneration, with democratisation at the front and centre

Zoya Hasan

As the INC gears up for an internal party election in October, this article dated May 3, 2022, by Zoya Hasan elaborates on the various crises within the party.

Change of face: Cut-outs of Congress leaders Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra during a party rally in New Delhi on September 4. PTI

The Congress party is no stranger to crises, but those it has faced since 2014 are unprecedented and probably the worst in the course of its long history. The party reached a historic low of 44 Lok Sabha seats in 2014 and that only increased to 52 in 2019. It has lost 39 out of 49 State elections since 2014. It managed to win only 55 of the 690 seats in the recent Assembly elections held in Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Uttarakhand, Manipur and Goa. A series of leaders have deserted the party – even those close to the Gandhi family. These defeats and desertions have raised questions and concerns about its very survival. The fact that Congress leaders held extensive talks with a much sought-after election consultant, and was planning to employ his services to revamp the party, brings into sharp relief the existential crisis of the Congress. How do we understand Congress's existential crisis, and what are the prospects of revival?

A platform that does not work

Historically, the Congress had always come to power on a centrist platform reflecting its varied social base, but centrism does not work in a deeply divided polity dominated by a politics of polarisation and communal mobilisation. Essentially, the old form of accommodative politics, which for long held together the Congress's social coalition, is not capable of galvanising the imagination of new India. The Gujarat model of politics marked by an exclusive focus on individual leadership as the driver of election campaigns, a strong sense of Hindu pride, a shift in popular attention to aggressive nationalist appeals regardless of reality or facts, and a complete rejection of the entire democratic past and superimposition of perception over performance appears to hold voters in thrall. Changes unleashed by liberalisation, globalisation, and the information-communication revolution initiated by the Congress have undercut its political ethos and ideological architecture to a greater degree than that of its principal rival. The Congress's decline (and that of other Centre-Left and Left parties) needs to be seen in the context of transformations provoked by the growth and expansion of neoliberalism and majoritarianism, and other factors that are internal to the Congress, most notably, the strong resistance to structural changes within the party.

The party's main problems

The Congress has faced three major structural problems in a political conjuncture defined by 'the great moving Right show', to borrow a phrase from cultural theorist Stuart Hall, and the polarisation engendered by it. These include the leadership issue, organisational stagnation, and the need to project and propagate a clear ideological alternative to the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). I have explored these themes in my recent book on the Congress and am taking up some aspects of that here.

The Congress's leadership crisis has undoubtedly played a role in its decline; however, the challenge facing the party is not just about the ineffectual leadership. Simply appointing a non-Gandhi will not dramatically alter the party's dwindling fortunes. In fact, removing them might well reinforce the right-wing agenda.

But fundamental issues concerning organisational change have been repeatedly set aside and weighed down by the debate on dynastic leadership and an obsessive focus on the Gandhis.

It is, however, important to reconstitute the party's leadership at various levels through internal elections. This can transform the Congress into a more representative organisation and could give a boost to the party by changing the perception that it is a family business. At present, the top decision-making bodies are occupied by people who have either never contested a Lok Sabha or Vidhan Sabha election or did so decades ago. Their influence has however grown in direct proportion to the weakening of the party across India. These structural problems have existed for years, and yet the party has not faced them head on. It has demonstrated no urgency for drastic remedial measures despite defeat after defeat. The feeble attempts at revitalisation have focused more on regaining quick electoral viability than on addressing long-term structural issues.

Short on communication

By far the Congress's biggest shortcoming is its inability to communicate its ideological positions and values clearly. The great challenge is to define its message and communicate it to the electorate as an underpinning for political mobilisation. For this, it must unequivocally reaffirm its inclusive vision for a democratic India, and take credit for its past achievements, which resulted from an adherence to these commitments.

The Congress has three major structural problems. These include the leadership issue, organisational stagnation, and the need to project and propagate a clear ideological alternative to the Bharatiya Janata Party

One big failure has been the Congress's reluctance to tell its own story. The party did not publicise or highlight its distinctive approach, and that was one reason why it did not play to its strengths during the United Progressive Alliance (UPA) rule, allowing itself to be outsmarted by its critics.

The BJP has correctly calculated that so long as it sustains the argument that the Congress was elitist, corrupt and dynastic, it can prevent the Congress from emerging as a credible alternative. What aids and abets these half-truths is the passivity of the Congress in defending its record and letting its achievements to be dismissed and derided, even as the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) government successfully obfuscates data on its own underperformance in the last eight years.

Combating the communal

The key issue for the Opposition is defining its response to Hindu nationalism. While the Congress is largely agreed on the necessity of combating communal ideas, politics and policies, it has swung between making ideological compromises with majoritarian nationalism and plotting a frontal battle against it. It has often adopted a majoritarian tenor on certain controversial issues in the name of religious sentiment. However, this makes no sense amidst the growing influence of the Hindu Right. Both as a strategy and as an actuality, the mixing of religiosity and politics does not guarantee electoral dividends. Moreover, the conflict in India is not about the growing prominence of Hinduism in our public life, which most parties accept and promote, but about the BJP's idea of nationalism, which is utterly exclusivist, pitted against the inclusive nationalism championed by the Congress during the freedom struggle.

Indian politics has never been more polarised than it is today; never before has the gulf been so wide. Hence, today, the battle is more fundamental; it is about the very idea of India – the idea of a diverse, pluralistic nation committed to liberal values.

By remaining silent on the way in which nationalism has been redefined, the Congress has ceded the nationalist space to Hindu Right which poses as the pre-eminent torch-bearer of nationalism today even though organisations associated with it made no contribution to the freedom struggle, the crucible which defined Indian nationalism from which they were absent. Yet, its conception of Indian nationhood which it has fought for has prevailed, over the past decade and more, against the Congress's inclusive 'Idea of India'.

Defending a pluralist view of politics and governance is one aspect of the political strategy; the other is grounding its politics in the idiom of social justice which both sidesteps identity politics and resonates with an aggrieved population, alienated by the current dispensation's policies and politics. Overall, the 137-year-old party's revival depends on three things – a consistent narrative to counter divisive politics, the will to restructure the organisation, and drawing strength from constant public action rather than just elections.

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The naughty marionette: Pinocchio through the ages

How the story of *Pinocchio* endured since it was first serialised in an Italian magazine

Mini Anthikad Chhibber

With two versions of Carlo Collodi's *The Adventures of Pinocchio* hitting the screens, now is as good a time as any to look at the naughty marionette's journey from a log of wood to a real boy. The seminal work of children's fiction was first published in serial form in the children's magazine, *Giornale per i Bambini*, from July 7, 1881 and as a book in February 1883. Everyone remembers different bits of the story of Pinocchio from the racy nose-growing upon lying to his desperate desire to become a real boy, and his various descents into trouble despite sincere attempts to be on the straight and narrow. My favourite bit of Pinocchio is towards the end when he meets his 'father', the wood carver, Geppetto, who carved and thus created him. Pinocchio meets Geppetto in the stomach of The Terrible Dogfish. Geppetto surviving in the fish's stomach for two years on the supplies of a ship that the monster destroyed was fascinating. The Ladybird book even had a full plate colour picture of Geppetto sitting before a fire on a little stool with a lamp on a hook in the Dogfish's stomach.

Epic hero

Critics have called Pinocchio an epic hero and rightly so. He starts his journey as a log of wood pleading with the carpenter, Master Cherry, not to carve him. Cherry gives him to his neighbour, Geppetto, who wants to become a puppeteer and so carves a marionette, who even half done is impudent, and the minute Geppetto carves his legs, kicks him and runs away. Pinocchio's journey to salvation is nothing short of a pilgrim's progress, meeting villains and friends along the way. On team good is the cricket, who repeatedly tries to advise Pinocchio even as a ghost after Pinocchio's mallet unfortunately finds its mark. Also on team good is the puppet master, Mangiafuoco, who though initially plans to use Pinocchio as firewood to roast his lamb, is kindhearted and gives the marionette money for Geppetto. The Fairy with Turquoise Hair, who also gives Pinocchio good advice, is something of a fairy godmother, appearing whenever the going gets tough, and protecting and looking out for Pinocchio. Chief on team villain are the two conmen, Fox and Cat. There are other lesser villains including Pinocchio's school friend, Candlewick , who persuades him to run away from school to Toyland, the Coachman who turns errant school boys into donkeys and sells them, the Green fisherman who wants to fry and eat Pinocchio, and the snake barring Pinocchio's way.

Pinocchio is rife with archetypes from the naïve villager coming to the big bad city (an allegory for the great migration from rural Italy to the cities thanks to the industrial revolution) to the marionette who wants to become a real boy. Science fiction is full of stories of robots who want to become human, from *Blade Runner's* replicants to David in *A.I. Artificial Intelligence*. Coming to Pinocchio-themed films, Robert Zemeckis has released a live action version of the 1940 animated film, while Guillermo del Toro, the master of dark fantasy, is currently directing a stop motion animated version of Pinocchio. The latter is set in fascist Italy of the 1930s. Both versions promise to be jolly rides to the motherboard of stories for children and grown-ups alike.

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QUESTION 2
What do the terms 'tachycardia' and 'bradycardia' denote?

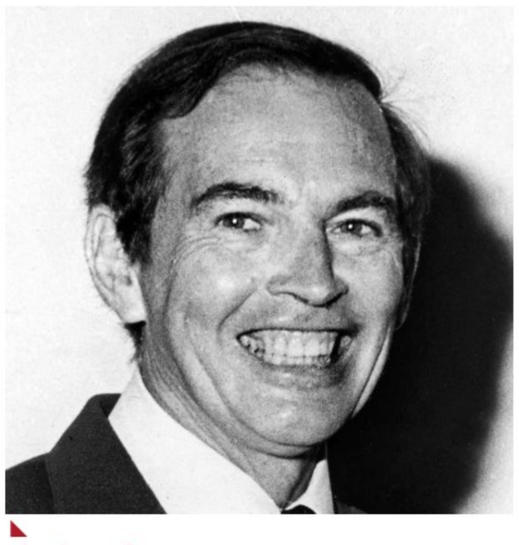
QUESTION 3
The Balaenoptera musculus has the largest heart for any living creature with one specimen weighing nearly 200kgs. What is the common name for the Balaenoptera musculus?

QUESTION 4
What is the fundamental difference between a heart attack and a stroke?

QUESTION 5
Every cell in your body gets blood from your heart except...?

QUESTION 6
Which procedure, nowadays common, involves taking a healthy blood vessel from your arm, chest or leg and connecting it below and above the blocked arteries in your heart?

QUESTION 7
Which classic 1973 album by Pink Floyd has tracks that begin and end with heartbeats?



Visual question:
Identify the doctor and how did he create medical history in December 1967? FILE PHOTO

Questions (abridged) and Answers to the previous day's daily quiz: 1. The word 'rabies' may be related to this Sanskrit word which means "to rage". **Ans: Rabhas**
2. This Greek entity inspired the genus name of the rabies virus. **Ans: Lyssa**
3. This French chemist developed a vaccine for rabies. **Ans: Louis Pasteur**
4. The expansion of FAT which is a procedure for diagnosing rabies. **Ans: Fluorescent Antibody Test**
5. Rabies is commonly associated with this fear which leads to panic when presented with liquid for drinking. **Ans: Hydrophobia**
6. This country has the highest rate of human rabies in the world. **Ans: India**
7. A 'Memorial Celebrity Rabies Awareness Fun Run Pro Am Race for the Cure' was dedicated to this popular character. **Ans: Meredith Palmer (from *The Office*)**
Visual: This French bacteriologist co-founded the Pasteur Institute. **Ans: Émile Roux**

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Word of the day

Imperious:
having or showing arrogant superiority; disdain of those one views as unworthy

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Usage: *The principal dismissed them with an imperious wave of her hand*

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11% increase in overall registration for Common Admission Test 2022

There has also been 6% rise in category candidates' registration; in a first, digital campaigns used to create awareness about the applications and extension of deadline

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With a few enhancements to the processes related to outreach and registration for the Common Admission Test (CAT) 2022, initiated by Indian Institute of Management-Bangalore (IIMB), the convenor institute, and the CAT Committee, there has been an increase of 11% in overall registrations and 6% in category candidates' registration.

In a first, to target the younger demographic, digital campaigns were used to create awareness about the applications for CAT 2022 and the extension of the deadline. Ashis Mishra, chairperson of CAT 2022, said in a release: "Student-centric changes will enhance the registration and other processes of CAT, thereby making it possible for candidates to focus on preparing for the examination itself."

CAT 2022 will be conducted in test centres in 150 cities. FILE PHOTO

Important dates

- Admit cards can be downloaded from 5 p.m. on October 27
- CAT 2022 results expected to be declared around second week of January 2023

Some of the steps taken to enhance the process included releasing announcements of CAT 2022 in publications in the North-east and in all Union Territories. In many new locations like Manipur, Tripura, and Union Territories like Lakshadweep, Dadra, Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu, and Ladakh and Leh, test centres have also been set up. To provide hassle-free registration experience, two payment gateways were also given for CAT 2022. Along with a facility to register for non-IIM registration, the logos of non-institutions have also been placed on the CAT website to enhance their visibility.

"CAT 2022 will be conducted in test centres in 150 cities. Candidates have been given the option to select any of the six test cities in order of their preference. They must declare and maintain a valid and unique e-mail account and a mobile phone number throughout the selection process," said the release.

The test, which will be computer-based, will be conducted on November 27 in three separate sessions - Verbal Ability and Reading Comprehension, Data Interpretation and Logical Reasoning, and Quantitative Ability.

Mr. Mishra further said: "The preparations and the conduct of the examination are being done with continued COVID-19 uncertainty. Candidates are advised to check the CAT website regularly for the latest information."

Fellowship and maintenance amount of minority research scholars cut

Jayanth R.
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Citing COVID-19 and economic crisis, the State government has abruptly cut the fellowship and maintenance cost of minority communities research scholars from the academic year 2022-23.

According to a recent Government Order, the minority research scholars will get ₹10,000 for Ph.D and ₹8,000 for M.Phil fellowship per month from this year. Earlier, it was ₹25,000 fellowship per month and ₹10,000 annual maintenance cost for both streams.

The State government is providing the fellowship for Muslim, Christian, Jain, Buddhist, Sikh, and Parsi communities since 2017.

According to a recent Government Order, the scholars will get ₹10,000 for PhD and ₹8,000 for MPhil fellowship per month from this year

The government has defended its decision that they are providing the same amount for fellowship for SC/ST students through the Social Welfare department and the same criteria is being followed for the minorities research scholars.

The Director of Minority Welfare Department had submitted a proposal to the Deputy Secretary of the department requesting for ₹9.19 crore additional amount for the fellowship of the scholars. But the Finance department rejected the proposal on August 5.

Earlier, the government had cut the minority communities research scholars fellowship by 66% in the academic year 2019-20. Following outrage, the government restored the fellowship amount. However, the government has not paid the fellowship amount since two years.

The new order will be effected from 2022-23 for new applicants. Scholars of 2021-22 academic year will get the existing fellowship amount of ₹25,000 per month and ₹10,000 as maintenance cost per annum.

Ateeq, a Ph.D aspirant from Mandya, told *The Hindu:* "We see very few people enrolled in higher education from minority communities. Only a few enter the research field. The order will lend a major setback to the minority research aspirants. The amount will not be enough for research work, hostel fee, and other charges."

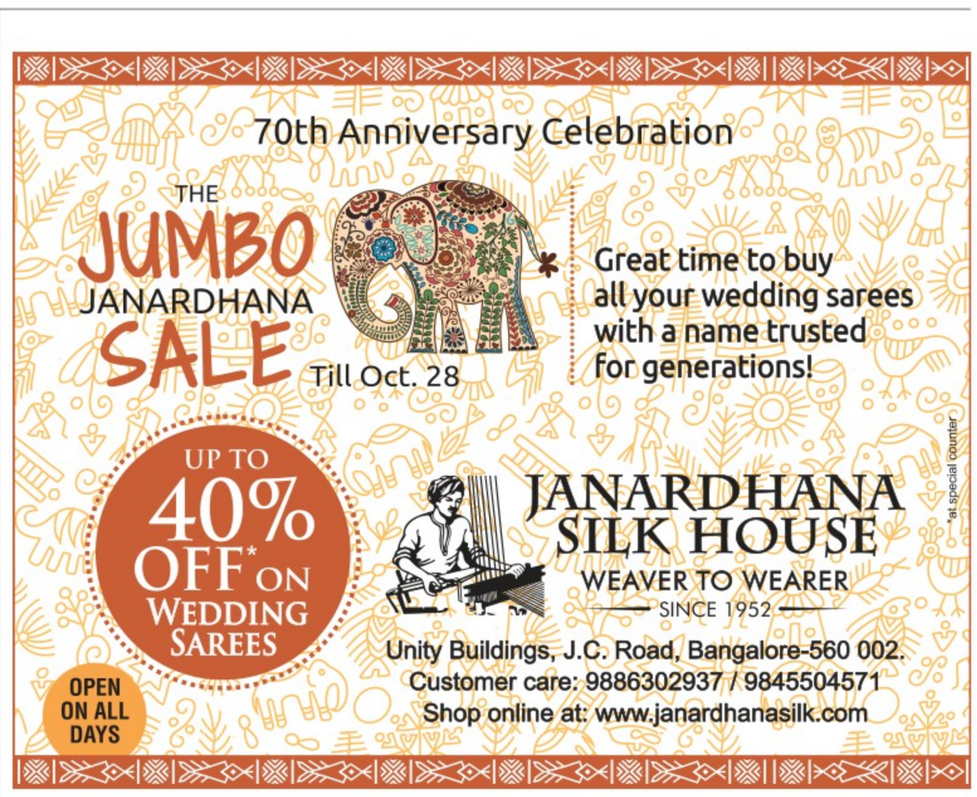
Raghavendara T., director, Minority Welfare Department, said: "Year after year, the number of aspirants and applicants have increased for M.Phil and Ph.D from minority communities. The government is eager to accommodate every applicant and has taken the decision to reduce the cost of fellowship."

Society protests against scrapping of awards

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The All India Committee of Scientific Breakthrough Society has expressed its dismay over the scrapping of over a hundred awards in science and technology by the Union government. They were being given to faculty members and scientists who had excellent achievements in the scientific research.

"The decision is a part of the overall plan of the Centre to slash the support for science and technology. Earlier, the Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana scheme, which was meant to financially support promising youngsters on the way to becoming scientists, was scrapped. Financial support for the Indian National Academy of Engineering has been stopped, and the INAE has been advised to function like a company," it said.



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INBRIEF

Group booked for moral policing

The Doddaballapura police have registered a case against a group of people in a case of moral policing. Based on a complaint by Gangadhar, resident of Devarajanagara, the police registered a case and are trying to track down the accused. The accused residents of Islampura confronted a couple, belonging to different communities, and allegedly abused and assaulted them.

From Page One

CBI begins investigation into case against DKS

The CBI action pertains to the case handed over to the CBI by then Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa soon after he took over in 2019. This is besides the cases in Income Tax Department and Enforcement Directorate that he is fighting.

Meanwhile, responding to the CBI action, Mr. Shivakumar told presspersons here late on Wednesday that he had been told by his staff that the CBI brought revenue officials to review the properties.

"I have already given the documents that have been sought. I have told that I will cooperate with them and I had cited my busy schedule due to elections and sought time. I had written to both offices here and Delhi." However, he said, "It looks like they are in a hurry. It is hurting me mentally." He added that the properties in question were there for a long time. He had submitted documents related to them to Election Commission, Income Tax and Enforcement Directorate.

He accused that though there were cases linked to disappropriate assets against BJP leaders, it was being investigated by the ACB. "Why are they doing it only to me? What is so special about me?" When asked if he felt being targeted ahead of the Bharat Jodo Yatra, he said: "What can we do? I respect the law."

Taking to Twitter, KPCC communications head Priyank Kharge said, "The intention of the Central government is clear. Disrupt Bharat Jodo Yatra in Karnataka at any cost. The timing of CBI inspecting Mr. Shivakumar's assets in his village is nothing but a pressure tactic to convey the message."

Text & Context

A weekday feature on The Hindu epaper (epaper.thehindu.com) carries explainers, special articles and a quiz. In the latest issue (September 29, Thursday), the following explainer is available:

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Patients suffer as equipment in dialysis units are dysfunctional

Members cutting across party lines raised the issue in the Assembly last week; State Health Commissioner says penalty will be slapped on the service provider if machines are not serviced

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Harsha Naik, a 21-year-old resident of Mudanahalli in Arasikere taluk, who has been on dialysis for the last four years, was hospitalised thrice in the last one year following repeated infections.

On Tuesday, 58-year-old Siddaraju, who is on dialysis in T. Narasipura centre, had a harrowing time owing to blood clotting in the dialyser and blood tubes. Along with him, seven other patients also had a similar problem at the centre.

Several dialysis machines in the 169 State-run centres are either dysfunctional or have not been serviced causing severe hardship to patients.

"If one machine does not work, we will have to accommodate the patients on the remaining two machines as per the instructions of the Kolkata-based outsourced service provider – ESKAG Sanjeevini Pvt. Ltd. The agency coordinators ask us to reduce the dialysis hours of each patient from four to two to accommodate all patients," a source in the dialysis centre said.

Patients at the Ankola taluk hospital staged a snap protest on Monday as some of them were asked to go to Karwar for dialysis. "I travel 40 km from Kuntagini where I reside to get dialysis at Ankola. If I have to get dialysis at Karwar, I will have to travel another 35 km, which is very tiresome for me considering my poor health," said Ganesh Shetty, one of the patients.

Besides, Medical Reverse Osmosis (RO) plants at many centres have a high Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) value, which is above the permissible limits and hence unfit for dialysis. The water treatment system is a critical factor for dialysis. Ultra pure water from the RO plant that enters the hemodialysis machine is used to mix the dialysate for dialysis.

"Although the water from the RO plants is unfit for dialysis, we are forced to use it as per instructions of the service provider. This is causing infections in patients," one of the technicians said.

Patients said they were asked to buy heparin (used to prevent blood from clotting in the dialysis lines) and saline solution for the dialyser (the agent that is used to cleanse the blood of the patient) as the centres do not have adequate stock. "We are also being asked to buy the expensive Erythropoietin and iron-sucrose injections. We need this once a week but the agency is giving it once a month," said Sudhakar K. Bhat, patient from Ankola.

Members cutting across party lines raised these issues in the Karnataka Legislative Assembly last week. Health Minister K. Sudhakar said B.R. Shetty's Group had gone financially bankrupt and there were problems in the delivery of service in many dialysis centres in taluk hospitals. Services will be restored in two months by calling fresh tender to hire an agency to run centres, he said.

State Health Commissioner Randeep D. said penalty will be slapped on the service provider if the machines are not serviced at the earliest and consumables/medicines are not provided in adequate quantity. "They are supposed to do this as per tender conditions. If they do not do it, we will get it done from outside and deduct the amount from their payment. New tenders will be floated by next week," he said.

Several dialysis machines in the 169 State-run centres are either dysfunctional or have not been serviced. FILE PHOTO

New tender yet to be floated

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Over 4,000 renal patients have been undergoing dialysis in 169 government-run centres across the State since March, 2017, when the dialysis scheme was awarded to BRS Health & Research Institute to manage.

In July 2021, when this service provider intimated the State government that it would no longer be able to continue with the services, the scheme was managed by the Health Department under National Health Mission (NHM) from August 2021 till January 10, 2022. Subsequently, the contract of the scheme was awarded to Kolkata-based ESKAG Sanjeevini Pvt. Ltd. Although the company's contract ended in March, the State is yet to float new tender.

Algorithm to help decode brain scan to identify occurrence and type of epilepsy

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To develop the algorithm, IISc researchers studied EEG data from 88 human subjects

Researchers at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), in collaboration with AIIMS Rishikesh, have developed an algorithm that can help decode brain scans to identify the occurrence and type of epilepsy.

Epilepsy is a neurological disease where the brain emits sudden bursts of electrical signals in a short amount of time, resulting in seizures, fits, and in extreme cases, death.

Based on the point of origin of the brain's erratic signals, epilepsy is classified as either focal or generalised epilepsy. Focal epilepsy occurs when the erratic signals are confined to a specific region in the brain. If the signals are at random locations, then it is termed as generalised epilepsy.

Inspection of EEGs

In order to identify whether a patient is epileptic, neurophysiologists need to manually inspect EEGs (electroencephalograms), which can capture such erratic signals, explained an IISc press release.

Visual inspection of EEG can become tiring after prolonged periods, and may occasionally lead to errors, said Hardik J. Pandya, Assistant Professor at the Department of Electronic Systems Engineering (DESE) and the corresponding author of the study published in *Biomedical Signal Processing and Control*.

The research aims to differentiate EEG of normal subjects from epileptic EEGs, and additionally, the developed algorithm attempts to identify the types of seizures. "Our work is to help the neurologists make an efficient and quick automated screening and diagnosis," he added.

Training the algorithm

To develop and train the algorithm, the researchers first examined EEG data from 88 human subjects acquired at AIIMS Rishikesh. Each subject underwent a 45-minute EEG test, divided into two parts: an initial 10-minute test when the subject was awake, which included photic stimulation and hyperventilation, followed by a 35-minute sleep period when the subject was asked to sleep.

Next, the team analysed this data and classified different wave patterns into sharp signals, spikes, and slow waves.

Patent filed

An epileptic subject shows a different set of patterns compared to a healthy individual. The researchers developed an algorithm to calculate the total number of sharp waves - the Cumulative Sharp Count - and use this as a parameter to detect if the subject is epileptic or not (a higher value indicates a greater chance that the subject is epileptic). Currently, a patent has been filed for the work and the algorithm is being tested for its reliability by physicians at AIIMS Rishikesh.

Traffic police catch bike thief using new automatic number plate recognition

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The accused was intercepted by ASI Mariswamy and his team while conducting random vehicle check on Dhanvanthri road

Alert Upparpet traffic police on Wednesday caught a bike thief through the newly-introduced automatic number-plate recognition (ANPR) technology. The accused was intercepted by ASI Mariswamy and his team while conducting random vehicle check on Dhanvanthri road.

The police found that the scooter the accused was riding was stolen from Koramangala. He was detained and handed over to Upparpet police station for further inquiries. This is one among many cases the traffic police have cracked in the recent past.

Recent cases

In August, Magadi Road traffic police nabbed a 29-year-old data entry operator who was riding his scooter using a fake number plate and violating traffic rules unabated for the last four years.

In July, Mahesh Rathod, attached to Rajajinagar traffic station, who was assigned duty opposite the Dr. Rajkumar memorial, found an abandoned autorickshaw and upon checking the emission certificate, he obtained the contact number of the owner, who told him that his vehicle had been stolen from V.V. Puram.

In the same month, a vehicle was stolen from Jayanagar 5th block and within 40 minutes, the vehicle met with a minor accident on 24th Main. Jayanagar traffic constables deputed at the junction intervened and upon verifying, found that the vehicle was stolen. The accused managed to flee the scene. The vehicle was later handed over to the Jayanagar police.

The traffic police also caught Syed Aftab, a fabricator by profession, for forging a number plate. He did this to avoid traffic fine and also to default his loan EMI. He was arrested by Subramanayapura police and remanded to 14 days' custody.

On July 2, the Banaswadi police arrested three drug peddlers during random vehicle checks.

They turned out to be notorious muggers and chain-snatchers.

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NOTICE INVITING TENDERS (**VERY SHORT TENDER**)
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Re-eTender No.- 43 /2022-23 Dated: 27.09.22
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The undersigned on behalf of Government of Jharkhand invites item rate bids through e-Procurement from the eligible bidders registered* in appropriate class with any State/Central Government/State /Central Government Organization for construction of road and maintenance for five years of the works (List of schemes shall be displayed in the website pmgsytendersjhr.gov.in) of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna (RCPLWEA- Batch-II, 2021-22).

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** Non-registered bidders may also submit bid, however the successful bidders must get registered in appropriate class with appropriate authority before signing the contract.*

Note :-

1. Amount of Bid Security should be taken as mentioned in the Bid Data Sheet of the Bidding Document.
2. Cost of Bid Document (Rs. 10000) and Bid Security (as mentioned in the Bid Data Sheet) shall be deposited **online** in form as mentioned in Bid Data Sheet failing which the bid will be treated non responsive and action shall be taken as per Sec. 2 of ITB clause 12.2 (d). Online payment through RTGS/ NEFT should not be made through SBI.
3. In case, it is found, even after the award of work that the bidder has submitted/ uploaded any false/erroneous/fraudulent statement/document, he/she is liable for blacklisting and forfeiture of Bid Security.
4. Bidders must submit GST registration certificate without which bid is liable to be rejected.
5. Bidders whose names appear in the Debar/blacklist of RWD, any department of GoJ/GoI (including JSRRDA) shall not be allowed to participate in the above bids.
6. Bids submitted by bidders, who have long pending ATR(s) / made inordinate delay in execution of earlier allotted construction/ maintenance works of PMGSY, may be rejected summarily.
7. In case of any discrepancy/dispute about units/ amount in BOQ, units/amount as mentioned in Current SOR on which BOQ has been prepared shall prevail. Discrepancy in amount shown in Form of Bid Part-II in words and figures shall make bids non responsive.
8. Participating bidders are free to submit grievances, if any, against the decision of technical evaluation within five working days from the date of uploading of decision of technical evaluation only through email at jh-ce@pmgsy.nic.in. Grievance submitted after stipulated period shall not be considered.
9. Bidders must have valid registration with Employee Provident Fund organization under EPF and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1952 failing which the bid shall be rejected.
10. Bidders must not quote rate for routine maintenance. The amount for routine maintenance as indicated in the Bill of Quantities must be acceptable to bidders.
11. For unbalanced bids, extra performance security will be required to be deposited by the bidder by the time of Agreement.

All other details can be seen in the bidding document which is available in website **pmgsytendersjhr.gov.in** as per schedule mentioned above.

Chief Engineer
JSRRDA, Ranchi

PR 278751 Rural Work Department(22-23)D

कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय
ग्रामीण विकास विशेष प्रमंडल, हजारीबाग

शुद्धि पत्र

इस कार्यालय के द्वारा आमंत्रित ई–अल्पकालीन निविदा सूचना संख्या–RDD/SD/HZB/03/2022-23 पी0आर0 संख्या 276595 (Rural Development) 22-23*D में प्रकाशित निविदा में निम्न संशोधन किया जाता है:–

क्र0	संशोधित तथ्य	
1	कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि:	18 (अठारह) माह

निविदा की शेष शर्तें यथावत् रहेंगी।

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE,
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BRIEF e-TENDER NOTICE

On behalf of President of India, **Item rate E-Tenders** are invited online from Contractors of appropriate class for the following work in NIT by Groupd Head ISTRAC ISRO, Peenya Bengaluru-58 (Ph:208094541)

Name of work	**Augmentation of Substation and DG sets and Replacement of UPS system at ISTRAC Ground Station Port Blair. (Electrical works for Installation of Panels, Associated Cables, Earthing System and Renovation of Substation)**
E-tenders Notice	**ISTRAC/CMG/E/CON/E-Tender-42/2022-23 Dated: 27.09.2022**
Estimated Cost put to Tender	**Rs. 50.35 Lakhs**
Tender Document Details	**E-Tender**
Period of completion in months reckoned from the 15th Day of date of Issue of work order	**05 Months**
Period during which the tender document can be downloaded	**From 29.09.2022 to 14.10.2022 till 16:00 hrs**
Bid Clarification	**From 30.09.2022 to 15.10.2022 till 16:00 hrs**
Last date and time of reply to Bid Clarifications	**17.10.2022 Up to: 16:00 Hrs**
Last date and time for receipt of tenders	**18.10.2022 Up to: 16:00 Hrs**
Due date and time of opening of tenders.	**21.10.2022 after 11:00 Hrs**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**Rs. 1,00,700.00**

Interested tenderers may please refer **Detailed Notice Inviting Tender (NIT)** for eligibility criteria and other details from website **www.isro.gov.in and** download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**

Sd/- Group Head, CMG

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
Bid Number: GEM/2022/B/2570758
Dated: 24-09-2022
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites Tenders for the following work:

Name of work	Approx. Value
Hiring of Vehicle for the official use of Gati Shakti/Bengaluru over Bengaluru Division for Period of 12 Months.	Rs. 96,51,900/-

Last date for submission of bids: **Upto 11:00 Hrs. on 17-10-2022**
For details log on: www.gem.gov.in
Deputy Chief Electrical Engineer/Gati Shakti Unit Bengaluru
PUB/391/AAD/PRB/SWR/2022-23
S.W.Railways SWRRLY SWRRLY

Rail Wheel Plant/Bela
(Distt. - Saran), Bihar 841221
E- Open Tender Notice No.:-S/RWP/E/23/2022-23, Dated : 27.09.2022
Principal Chief Materials Manager/Rail Wheel Plant, Bela for and on behalf of the **President of India** invites **online "e-Open Tender"**, through Indian Railways E-Procurement Website **www.ireps.gov.in** for supply of following Stores item at RWP/Bela. The closing time of all tenders is 14:00 hrs. **SN.-1. Tender No.:** 02225144, **Short Description of item :** VVFD for SPG Grinding Motor, **Quantity :** 2 Nos., **Date of Tender Closing/Opening : 06.10.2022 at 14:00 Hrs. 1.** Website address, on which full tender details can be seen and downloaded from, is **www.ireps.gov.in. 2.**The prospective firms/ bidders submitting bid are advised to remain in touch with the above website for updates including **Addendum/ Corrigendum/ Cancellation** with respect to the above tender. However, this information will also be invariably published in the all concerned newspapers.
PCMM/RWP/Bela
RWP/CPRO/Advt/2022-23/66

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that our Client **Mr. ARIGALA B NARAYANASWAMY** S/o. Mr. A Eshwaraiah and **Mr. ANUMAKONDA DURGA RANI** W/o. Mr. Arigala B Narayanaswamy, Both are R/at: SLV Torrent, Flat No.403,2nd Cross, Mallappa Layout, Babusabpalya, Logos Church, Bangalore 560043 are intending to purchase the Scheduled Property from **SRI. R.CHETHAN** S/o. Sri. M. Rajagopal. Any person/s objecting for said Purchase or are having any right, title, interest or any type of claim over the scheduled property is hereby called upon to file their objections/claims what so ever along with documentary proof within **7 days** from the date of publication of this notice with the under mentioned advocate failing which; our client shall proceed and complete the sale transaction with the above stated person.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing **No.50/2,** Present BBMP Katha Sl.No.2234, Old Katha No. 1731 (Still Older Katha No.95), Situated at : **HORAMAVU AGARA Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk,** Now comes the administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Pallike, Ward No: 25 (Horamavu Agara), Measuring East to West: 84 Feet & North to South : 33 Feet, In all totally Measuring **2772 Sq feet,** together with all rights, appurtenances in whatsoever manner whether hereunder or underneath or above the surface and bounded on the :

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BJP hails ban on PFI; Siddaramaiah's query on why no action on RSS triggers row

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

While the State government and ruling BJP hailed the ban on PFI, the Congress also welcomed the ban but with some caveats, triggering a row.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said the demand to ban PFI and its affiliates was long-pending and political parties across the spectrum, from CPI (M) in Kerala to Congress, had been demanding for the same. He described PFI "as mutants of the proscribed organisations Students Islamic Movement of India (SIMI) and Karnataka Forum for Dignity (KFD)" and alleged the now-banned organisations had no respect for the law and Constitution and that they had carried out several violent acts "based on orders from outside India".

Home Minister Araga Jnanendra, who last week during NIA raids was the first to say this was a step towards banning the organisation, welcomed the ban and said this was much needed for national security.

Leader of the Opposition Siddaramaiah said he would only reiterate what he had been saying for long that the State government should act against any organisation indulging in illegal activities irrespective of its religious association.

"I hope the government acts without any prejudice against any religion," he tweeted. Responding to media persons, he also said while he welcomes the ban on PFI, he demanded that "action must be taken against organisations like RSS and others which were also disturbing peace in the society," triggering a political row. Mr. Bommai hit back at Siddaramaiah and said RSS was a "nationalist organisation" carrying out various social service and educational activities. "This only shows these people are related to organisations like PFI. Do you need any more evidence than the very fact that he [Siddaramaiah] withdrew cases against members of PFI?" he asked.

SDPI distances itself

Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI) sought to distance themselves from PFI on Wednesday.

PFI offices in State to be sealed; more arrests likely

'All their bank accounts will be frozen and impounded. ED will also probe these accounts'

Police in front of the PFI Dakshina Kannada district office at Nellikai Road in Mangaluru on Wednesday. K. MURALI KUMAR

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Following the ban on Popular Front of India (PFI) and Campus Front of India (CFI), the State police are now gearing up for implementing the order in Karnataka. All offices of PFI and CFI in the State will be searched, seized and sealed, and more arrests will likely follow, sources said.

With the Union Ministry of Home Affairs delegating to the State government the implementation of ban, the latter has in turn authorised Deputy Commissioners and Commissioners of Police to implement the ban, said Karnataka State Police chief Praveen Sood.

List to MHI

"The district magistrates will now submit a report to the Home Secretary listing out all premises used by PFI and other proscribed affiliates across the State. The Home Secretary will then notify these entities, following which search, seizure and closure of these premises will happen. All their bank accounts will be frozen and impounded. The Enforcement Directorate will also probe these accounts," he said. The State police have already installed pickets at most of the PFI offices.

The ban will only be prospective and not retrospective, police sources said. "There is a grey area on whether the members of these organisations are liable for prosecution now. But any continued association with these organisations, or any activities under their banner will make the person liable for prosecution under Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967," a senior official said.

No roster of members

"Our sources said PFI does have a roster of members. We will have to see what they have on record during the raids that will follow now. The government has to take a call on whether to arrest all office bearers or not," the official said. State Intelligence and other units of the State police have already launched a massive watch on PFI members and their activities henceforth.

However, another senior official overseeing the action on PFI over the last week said the top leadership of PFI in the State is in custody – seven arrested by NIA and 14 by Bengaluru City Police on September 22, and over 90 PFI office bearers were taken into preventive custody by the State police on Tuesday hours before the ban. "When we raid PFI offices, more arrests of office bearers of the organisation will likely be arrested," a senior official said.

Timings
BENGALURU

THURSDAY, SEP. 29
RISE 06:09 SET 18:11
RISE 08:58 SET 20:47

FRIDAY, SEP. 30
RISE 06:09 SET 18:10
RISE 09:57 SET 21:38

SATURDAY, OCT. 01
RISE 06:09 SET 18:10
RISE 10:58 SET 22:33

Bengaluru Weather	max	min
Tumakuru	31	24
Mysuru	31	21
Bengaluru	28	21

Bengaluru Today
28°C The weather will be comfortable but humid.Night will be pleasant. Chances of light rain and thundershower at some places.

Bengaluru Tomorrow
29°C A mostly dry weather to prevail. Day will be slight warm and humid. Night remains pleasant.

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PFI ban: Security tightened in Karnataka

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Tight security has been deployed in and around the State and police have been deployed at strategic locations to monitor public order in the wake of the government announcement to ban Popular Front of India (PFI).

Strict action

Praveen Sood, Director General and Inspector General of Police, warned of strict action against those who protest against the ban and disturb public order.

The police have been asked to deploy tight security and step up patrolling at the sensitive locations to monitor law and order, he said.

BENGALURU SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED
Office of the Chief General Manager (Tech), 1st Floor, UNI Building,
Thimmaiah Road, Millers Tank Bund Area, Vasanthnagar Bengaluru – 560 052

No: CGM(TECH)/BSWML/TEND/02/2022-23 Date: 28.09.2022

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) (THROUGH GOK E–PROCUREMENT PORTAL ONLY)

1. The Chief General Manager (Tech), on behalf of Managing Director, BSWML is withdrawing the earlier tender notification No:CGM(TECH)/BSWML/TEND/02/2022-23, Dated: 22.08.2022 and invites fresh proposals for "Selection of Service Provider for Primary Collection & Transportation Services in Covered Vehicle along with the Secondary Transportation of Waste in Segregated Manner to designated locations". Any reputed NGO/Sole Proprietor/Trust/HUF/Partnership/ Companies registered under Companies Act 1956/2013 is eligible for undertaking the above services. In this tender a bidder can bid for all packages. But, he/she shall not be awarded more than one package.
2. Any Bidder blacklisted/ barred by Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Company Limited ("BSWML") /any other entity of Government of Karnataka or by any State Government or Central Government /department/Urban local body/name lender of the officials of the corporation or the corporators, including nominated members or other elected member/such agency in India from participating in bidding process individually as on the Bid Due Date and if such bar subsists, such Bidder/s shall not be eligible to participate in this RFP.
3. RFP documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka e-Procurement website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** under login for Contractors: After login to Contractors, please scroll down to the right-side bottom to see List of Tenders, please click there to find the details of RFP and download copy of the tender. The tender document can be downloaded in the portal from **30.09.2022.** Only Interested Service Provider who wishes to participate should remit online transaction fee for tender after registering in the portal. The transaction fee is non-refundable.
4. Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal **on or before 16.00 hours on 31.10.2022** and the opening of tenders will be as per the e-procurement portal guidelines.
5. Other details can be seen in the tender documents.

Sl No	Package Name		Amount Put to Tender per annum (Rs. in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Pkg-1	Ward No: 117 (C V Raman Nagar), 118 (Lal Bahadur Nagar) &123 (Jalakanteshwara Nagar)	614.96	9.22
2	Pkg-2	Ward No: 121 (Old Tippasandra), 122 (New Tippasandra), 124 (Jeevanabhima Nagar) & 125 (Konena Agrahara)	665.76	10.00
3	Pkg-3	Ward No: 120 (Hoysala Nagar) & 119 (New Byappanahalli)	402.15	6.03
4	Pkg-4	Ward No:178 (Dommalur), 179 (Jogupalya), 180 (Agaram) & 181 (Shanthala Nagar)	839.98	12.60
5	Pkg-5	Ward No: 182 (Shanthi Nagar), 183 (Neelasandra) & 184 (Vannarapete)	766.59	11.50
6	Pkg-6	Ward no : 94 (Hennur) & 95 (Nagawara)	576.31	8.64
7	Pkg-7	Ward No: 98 (Kacharakanahalli), 99 (HRBR Layout) & 100 (Banasawadi)	862.26	12.93
8	Pkg-8	Ward No: 96 (Kadugondanahalli), 97 (Venkateshpura) & 101 (Kammanahalli)	685.81	10.29
9	Pkg-9	Ward No: 102 (Lingarajapura) & 103 (Maruthi Seva Nagar)	566.35	8.50
10	Pkg-10	Ward No: 126 (Ramaswamy palya), 127 (Jayamahal) & 130 (Bharathi Nagar)	636.86	9.55
11	Pkg-11	Ward No: 131 (Halsur), 129 (Sampangiram Nagar), & 128 (Vasanth Nagar)	732.93	10.99
12	Pkg-12	Ward No: 66 (Radhakrishna Temple Ward), 67 (Sanjaya Nagar), 70 (Hebbal) & 72 (Ganga Nagar)	708.10	10.62
13	Pkg-13	Ward No: 68 (V Nagenahalli), 69 (Manorayana Palya), 71 (Chamundi Nagar) & 73 (J C Nagar)	686.27	10.29
14	Pkg-14	Ward No: 74 (Kavalbyrasandra), 75 (Kushal Nagar) & 76 (Muneshwara Nagar)	539.93	8.10
15	Pkg-15	Ward No: 77 (Devarajeevana Halli) & 78 (S.K.Garden), 79 (Sagayapuram) & 80 (Pulikeshi Nagar)	689.63	10.34
16	Pkg-16	Ward No: 132 (Dattatreya temple) & 133 (Gandhi Nagar)	543.45	8.15
17	Pkg-17	Ward No: 134 (Subhash Nagar), 135 (Okalipuram) & 136 (Binnipete)	726.70	10.90
18	Pkg-18	Ward No: 137 (Cottonpet) & 138 (Chikpete)	679.99	10.20
19	Pkg-19	Ward No: 147 (Agrahara Dasarahalli), 148 (Govindhraja Nagara), 149 (Kaveripura) & 152 (Moodalapalya)	812.31	12.18
20	Pkg-20	Ward No: 146 (Dr. Rajkumar), 150 (Marenahalli) & 151 (Maruthi Mandira)	636.18	9.54
21	Pkg-21	Ward No: 153 (Nagarabhavi), 154 (Chandra layout) & 155 (Nayandahalli)	625.89	9.39
22	Pkg-22	Ward No: 139 (Dayananda Nagara), 140 (Prakasha Nagara), 142 (Sri Rama mandira) & 143 (Shiva Nagara)	814.87	12.22
23	Pkg-23	Ward No: 141 (Rajaji Nagara), 144 (Basaveshwara Nagara) & 145 (Kamakshipalya)	627.03	9.40
24	Pkg-24	Ward No: 59 (Mathikere), 60 (Aramane Nagara) & 61 (Malleshwaram)	726.58	10.90
25	Pkg-25	Ward No: 62 (Subramanya Nagar), 63 (Gayathri Nagara), 64 (Kadu Malleshwara) & 65 (Rajmahal Guttahalli)	942.00	14.13
26	Pkg-26	Ward No: 50 (Marappanapalya), 53 (Nandhini layout) & 54 (Jaymaruthy Nagara)	723.69	10.85
27	Pkg-27	Ward No: 51 (Nagapura), 52 (Mahalakshmi Puram) & 55 (Punith Rajkumar)	663.59	9.95
28	Pkg-28	Ward No: 56 (Shankarmutt), 57 (Shakthi ganapathi Nagar) & 58 (Vrushabhavathi Nagar)	713.07	10.70
29	Pkg-29	Ward No: 167 (Jagajeevanaram Nagar) & 168 (Padarayanapura)	559.63	8.99
30	Pkg-30	Ward No: 165 (Chamrajpete) & 166 (Chalavadipalya)	686.64	10.30
31	Pkg-31	Ward No: 169 (Devaraj URS Nagara) & 170 (Ajad Nagara)	535.60	8.03
32	Pkg-32	Ward No: 171 (Sudham Nagar) & 172 (Dharamarayaswamy Temple)	840.41	12.61
33	Pkg-33	Ward No: 173 (Sunkenahalli) & 174 (Vishweshwarapuram)	631.64	9.47
34	Pkg-34	Ward No: 175 (Ashokapillar), 176 (Someshwara Nagar) & 177 (Hombegowda Nagar)	766.74	11.50
35	Pkg-35	Ward No: 210 (Basavanagudi), 211 (Hanumanth Nagar) & 213 (Sri Nagar)	617.70	9.26
36	Pkg-36	Ward No: 212 (Srinivasa Nagar), 214 (Giri Nagar), 215 (Katriguppe) & 216 (Vidyapeeta)	821.70	12.32
37	Pkg-37	Ward No: 156(K.P.Agrahara), 157 (Vijaya Nagar) & 158 (Hosahalli)	709.40	10.64
38	Pkg-38	Ward No: 159 (Hampi Nagara), 160 (Bapooji Nagar) & 161 (Attiguppe)	734.90	11.02
39	Pkg-39	Ward No: 162 (Gali Anjaneya Temple), 163 (Veerabhadra Nagara) & 164 (Avalahalli)	792.35	11.88
40	Pkg-40	Ward No: 200 (Yediyur) & 201 (Uma Maheshwara)	472.81	7.09
41	Pkg-41	Ward No: 202 (Ganesh mandhira) & 203 (Banashankari Temple)	510.39	7.65
42	Pkg-42	Ward No: 204 (K S Layout). 205 (Vikram Nagar) & 206 (Padhmanabha Nagar)	645.33	9.68
43	Pkg-43	Ward No: 207 (Kamakya Nagar), 208 (Deena Dayalu Nagar) & 209 (Hosakerehalli)	610.78	9.16
44	Pkg-44	Ward No: 194 (Gurappanapalya), 195 (Tilaka Nagara) & 196(Byrsandra)	646.42	9.70
45	Pkg-45	Ward No: 197 (Shakambari Nagar), 198 (JP Nagar) & 199 (Sarakki)	700.80	10.51
46	Pkg-46	Ward No: 185 (Ejipura) & 187 (Adugodi)	535.44	8.03
47	Pkg-47	Ward No: 186 (Koramangala) & 191 (Jakkasandra)	470.09	7.05
48	Pkg-48	Ward No: 189 (Sudduguntepalya) & 188 (Lakkasandra)	503.40	7.55
49	Pkg-49	Ward No: 190 (Madiwala), Ward No: 192 (BTM Layout) & 193 (N.S.Palya)	670.36	10.05
50	Pkg-50	Ward No: 229 (Ibluru), 230 (Agara) & 243 (Koodlu)	528.44	7.93
51	Pkg-51	Ward No: 231 (M.G.Palya), 232 (HSR-Singasandra) & 233 (Rupena agrahara)	675.04	10.13
52	Pkg-52	Ward No: 234 (Hongasandra), 235 (Bommanahalli) & 236 (Devara Chikanahalli)	718.33	10.77
53	Pkg-53	Ward No: 237 (Bilekahalli), 238 (Arakere) & 239 (Hulimavu)	615.98	9.24
54	Pkg-54	Ward No: 240 (Vinayaka Nagar), 241 (Puttenahalli-Sarakki lake) & 242 (Jaraganahalli)	604.01	9.06
55	Pkg-55	Ward No: 217 (Uttarahalli) & 218 (Subramanyapura)	557.19	8.36
56	Pkg-56	Ward No:219 (Vasanthpura), 220 (Yelachenahalli) & 221 (Konanakunte)	666.66	10.00
57	Pkg-57	Ward No: 222 (RBI Layout), 223 (Chunchagatta) & 224 (Anjanapura)	624.40	9.37
58	Pkg-58	Ward No: 227 (Begur) & 228 (Naganathapura)	537.85	8.07
59	Pkg-59	Ward No: 225 (Gottigere) & 226 (Kalena agrahara)	575.35	8.63
60	Pkg-60	Ward No: 16 (Kammagondanahalli), 17 (Shettihalli) & 20 (Mallasandra)	663.98	9.96
61	Pkg-61	Ward No: 18 (Bagalagunte), 19 (Defence Colony) & 21 (T.Dasarahalli)	596.44	8.95
62	Pkg-62	Ward No: 22 (Chokkasandra), 23 (Nelagadaranahalli) & 24 (Rajagopala Nagara)	607.22	9.11
63	Pkg-63	Ward No: 25 (Rajeshwari Nagara), 26 (Hegganahalli) & 27 (Sunkadakatte)	644.71	9.67
64	Pkg-64	Ward No: 104 (Kadugodi) & 105 (Belattur)	587.45	8.81
65	Pkg-65	Ward No: 106 (Hoody), 107 (Garudacharpalya) & 108 (Doddanekkundi)	859.60	12.89
66	Pkg-66	Ward No: 109 (A.E.C.S Layout) & 110 (Whitefield)	668.66	10.03
67	Pkg-67	Ward No:114 (Marathalli) & 113 (Munnekolalu)	585.91	8.79
68	Pkg-68	Ward No: 111 (Hagadur) & 112 (Varthur)	594.72	8.92
69	Pkg-69	Ward No: 115(Bellandur) & 116 (Doddakannalli)	579.85	8.70
70	Pkg-70	Ward No: 81 (Horamavu) & 82 (Babusabpalya)	507.22	7.60
71	Pkg-71	Ward No: 83 (Kalkere), 84 (Ramamurthy Nagara) & 85 (Vijinapura)	669.21	10.04
72	Pkg-72	Ward No: 86 (KR Puram), 87 (Medahalli) & 88 (Basavanapura)	646.69	9.70
73	Pkg-73	Ward No: 89 (Devasandra), 90(Mahadevapura) & 91 (A. Narayanapura)	616.71	9.25
74	Pkg-74	Ward No: 92(Vignana Nagara) & 93 (HAL Airport)	514.28	7.71
75	Pkg-75	Ward No: 28 (Doddabidarukallu) & 29 (Vidyamanya Nagar)	999.16	14.99
76	Pkg-76	Ward No: 30(Herohalli) & 31 (Doddagollarahatti)	796.01	11.94
77	Pkg-77	Ward No: 32 (Ullala) & 33 (Kengeri)	700.08	10.50
78	Pkg-78	Ward No: 34 (Bandematta) & 35 (Hemmigepura)	942.37	14.13
79	Pkg-79	Ward No: 37 (Chanakya), 38 (J P Park), 39 (Kanneshwara Rama) & 40 (Veera Madakari)	769.20	11.54
80	Pkg-80	Ward No: 36 (Chatrapati Shivaji), 41 (Peenya), 42 (Lakshmi Devi Nagara)	659.82	9.90
81	Pkg-81	Ward No: 43 (Ranadheera Kanteerava), 44 (Veera Sindhura Lakshmana) & 45 (Vijaya Nagar Krishna Devaraya)	747.71	11.22
82	Pkg-82	Ward No: 46 (Sir M Vishweshwaraiah) & 47 (Nalvadi Krishnaraja Wodayar Park)	783.50	11.75
83	Pkg-83	Ward No: 48 (Jnana Bharathi) & 49 (Rajarajeshwari Nagar)	895.11	13.43
84	Pkg-84	Ward No: 01 (Kempegowda) & 02 (Chowdeshwari)	449.78	6.75
85	Pkg-85	Ward No: 03 (Someshwara), 04 (Atturu Layout) & 05 (Yelahanka Satellite Town)	724.30	10.86
86	Pkg-86	Ward No: 06 (Kogilu) & 07 (Thanisandra)	529.43	7.94
87	Pkg-87	Ward No: 08 (Jakkur) & 09 (Amruthahalli)	520.18	7.80
88	Pkg-88	Ward No: 10 (Kempapura), 11 (Byatarayanapura) & 12 (Kodigehalli)	608.22	9.12
89	Pkg-89	Ward No: 13 (Doddabommasandra), 14 (Vidyaranyapura) & 15 (Kuvempu Nagara)	633.79	9.51

Cost of Tender Document: As per e-Portal, **Contract period:** 60 Months

NOTE:

1. Pre bid meeting will be held **on 12-10-2022 at 15:00 hours** in office of the Chief General Manager (Tech) BSWML, 1st Floor, UNI Buidling, Thimmaiah Road, Vasanth nagar, Bengaluru-560052.
2. Technical qualification documents along with necessary information/documents must be uploaded to the e-procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** as per tender document **on or before 16:00 hours on 31-10-2022** and First Folder containing the Techno-Commercial tender will be opened through e-portal only **on 02-11-2022 after 16:30 hours** at the stipulated venue, in the presence of the Tenderers or their authorized representatives who wish to attend. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the tenders as specified, the tenders will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue.
3. The Employer shall not be liable for any delays due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the Tenderers of any tender updates, the Employer shall not be liable for any information not received by the Tenderers. It is the Tenderer's responsibility to verify the e-procurement portal for the latest information related to the tender, E-mail address of the Helpdesk is hphelpdesk.blr@intarvo.com. E-procurement portal help desk telephone numbers are: 080-22371090/22373788. The tenderer is required to ensure browser capability of the computer well in advance to the last date and time for receipt of the tenders. The employer shall not be responsible for non-accessibility of e-procurement portal due to internet connectivity issues and technical glitches.
4. Any corrigendum/addendum will be published in the E-Procurement portal only.
5. GST shall be paid separately if applicable.

Time Schedule/Calendar of events: 1) Last Date & Time for uploading Qualification documents : **On 31-10-2022 upto 16:00 Hrs. 2)** Pre Bid Meeting : **On 12-10-2022 at 15.00 Hrs. 3)** Opening of Tender : **On 02-11-2022 at 16.30 Hrs.**

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INBRIEF

Prominent personalities offer support for yatra

Several prominent personalities from different walks of life have offered support for the Bharat Jodo Yatra of Congress leader Rahul Gandhi that enters Karnataka on September 30.

They include retired Supreme Court judge Gopala Gowda, political leaders Mahima Patel and Y.S.V. Datta, environmentalist Suresh Heblikar, actor Prakash Raj, writers S.G. Siddaramaiah, Banjagere Jayaprakash, and B.T. Lalitha Naik, labour leader Michael B. Fernandes, and retired Vice-Chancellors Sabiha Bhumi Gowda and Japhet S.

Announcing this at a press conference in Bengaluru on Wednesday, many progressive thinkers, led by social activist Yogendra Yadav, said when the yatra enters Karnataka through Gundlupet on September 30, a delegation of well-known people in Karnataka would welcome it. "I will invite everyone who wants to save this country from the politics of hate, to take part in the yatra even if it is for one day," he said.

After three-day visit to State, Murmu leaves for Delhi

President Droupadi Murmu left for New Delhi after a three-day visit to Karnataka, on Wednesday. One of the highlights of her visit was the inauguration of Mysuru Dasara. Before departure, Ms. Mumru planted a sapling of a rudraksha tree at the Raj Bhavan in Bengaluru. She was accompanied by Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot.

Odisha Investors' Meet held in Bengaluru

The Government of Odisha, in collaboration with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry, on Wednesday hosted the Odisha Investors' Meet in Bengaluru. Naveen Patnaik, Chief Minister of Odisha and Pratap Keshari Deb, Odisha Minister for Industries, MSME & Energy, were among those who took part in the event.

K. Ullas Kamath, chairman, FICCI Karnataka State Council, and senior officials from the Industries Department in Karnataka were also present. Addressing the guests, Mr. Patnaik said Odisha was one of the fastest growing economies in India and had consistently grown above the national average in the last decade and a half. He invited the delegates to participate in the Make in Odisha Conclave '22 (MIO '22) to be held in Bhubaneswar from November 30.

'Bharat Jodo Yatra is *Dakshinayana* movement where influences of South are carried to North'

Political analyst and social activist Yogendra Yadav says the Congress yatra will face its first political test in BJP-ruled Karnataka, which is witnessing one of the 'most corrupt regimes and worst politics of hate'; the State, he says, provides one of the most vibrant cultural resources to fight hate

INTERVIEW

Yogendra Yadav

B.S. Satish Kumar
BENGALURU

Yogendra Yadav during an interaction at Bangalore Press Club on Wednesday. K. MURALI KUMAR

Political analyst and social activist Yogendra Yadav on Wednesday alleged that Karnataka was witnessing one of the "most corrupt regimes and worst politics of hate" and said that the Bharat Jodo Yatra of the Congress would witness its first political test here.

Karnataka, which has the legacy of Basavanna and a series of progressive thinkers and writers, provides one of the most deepest cultural resources to take on this politics of hate, he said in an interview. He described the Bharat Jodo Yatra as a *Dakshinayana* movement of India, where the influences of the South are carried to the North. Excerpts from the interview:

In 2019, you had said the Congress must die if it cannot protect the idea of India. Now you are supporting the Bharat Jodo Yatra of Congress leader Rahul Gandhi. What made you change your stance?

I had clearly stated then that the metaphor of death means the alternative politics must work as if the Congress did not exist. The fundamental positions remain unaltered, that our country faces unprecedented threat from the RSS and the BJP. In 2019, I had expressed my deep disappointment and anger at the Congress' inability to take on the BJP in the most critical election. I continue to harbour that. Now, we are at the very edge of a cliff. What is at stake is nothing short of the very existence of our Constitution, the very acceptance of values of our freedom struggle and the heritage of our civilisation. So everyone today who is alive owes it to himself/herself and the country that he/she puts every possible energy into this mission of saving the country. When your house is on fire, there are only two factors. Those who come with a bucket of water with whatever motives and those who are holding a bottle of petrol with whatever desires. At that moment you do not say that you had quarrelled with the one who has come with a bucket of water.

You have been talking of fighting politics of hate and protecting secular fabric. How do you want to do that?

I always believe that the fight to protect the secular fabric of the country cannot be fought merely on the grounds of secular ideology. When people speak the high language of secularism, most god-fearing, temple-, mosque- and church-going persons do not relate to that, although their cultural temperament is secular. Hence, I would make the economy my principal ground for battle as they (the BJP) have failed us in managing the economy. They cannot control unemployment and inflation. They came up with lunatic proposals like demonetisation and badly executed GST. They are bringing in Hindu-Muslim and Hindu-Christian issues to cover up their failures. I ask them for *hisab*, but they talk about hijab.

How significant is the BJP-ruled Karnataka for the Bharat Jodo Yatra?

Karnataka is witnessing one of the most corrupt regimes. The first serious political test for the yatra will be in Karnataka. The yatra began in Kanyakumari where the BJP has a bit of presence, but the Congress too is present there. In Kerala, which was the next State, the BJP is not a significant player. It is only when the yatra enters Karnataka, which has witnessed one of the most vicious politics of hate in recent times, that we can actually see how the public responds to this. I am also looking forward to Karnataka because it has one of the most vibrant civil societies. While Karnataka is seeing one of the worst politics of hate, it has also provided one of the most vibrant cultural resources to fight it. It has seen progressive writers such as Kuvempu, Ananthamurthy, Girish Karnad, and Devanur Mahadeva. There is a legacy of Basavanna. Karnataka provides one of the deepest cultural resources to take on this politics of hate. I do hope that when the yatra passes through Karnataka, it will carry some of these assets to the rest of the country. I call this a *Dakshinayana* movement of India, where the influences of the South are carried to the North.

Punyakoti: Some govt. staff oppose donation demand

Jayanth R.
BENGALURU

Some State government employees and their associations have opposed the plea that they should donate for the 'Punyakoti Dattu Yojane', Karnataka government's cattle adoption scheme, while the president of the Karnataka State Government Employees' Association insisted that "99% of employees" are agreeable to the idea.

A meeting has been called on Thursday to discuss the proposal that all employees should contribute for the cow adoption scheme, among other issues. Some protests have been planned opposing this. D. Shivashankar, president of the SC/ST Government Employees' Association, criticised the idea. "Donating for cattle adoption scheme is not the duty of government employees. Instead, employees can at least be asked to contribute to the eradication of malnutrition among children, which will contribute to real nation building," he said.

However, C.S. Shadakshari, president of Karnataka State Government Employees' Association, said most employees were on board with the idea of donating and only a few associations "which are not recognised" were dissenting. "We will donate for about one lakh cows," he said. The scheme aims to care for aged, sick or abandoned cattle or cattle seized by the police or enforcement agencies.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai has urged A and B categories of employees to adopt cows, paying an annual fee of ₹11,000.

"Irrespective of the categories, government employees always stand with the government and support and donate during the time of natural calamities. But Punyakoti Dattu Yojane is a government scheme and the government has reserved some funds for this scheme. There is no public interest in this scheme. So, why should we donate?" Mr. Shivashankar questioned.

HDK condemns dropping Byari language from poetry meet

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy has condemned the decision of authorities conducting the Mysuru Dasara festival to drop Byari language from the Kavi Goshti (poetry meet) held as part of the festivities.

Taking to Twitter, he said while several other languages spoken in Karnataka, including Tulu and Konkani, were given opportunity, the same was denied to Byari language. He said that more than 12 lakh people speak the language.

Murugha seer told to clarify how he was disbursing salary to staff before his arrest

FROM THE COURT

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru, seer and president of Sri Jagadguru Murugarajendra Brihan Mutt, who is facing the allegation of sexually assaulting minor girls, on Wednesday moved the High Court of Karnataka seeking direction to the prison authorities to permit him to affix signatures to cheques and related documents for disbursement of salaries.

Justice M. Nagaprasanna, before whom the petition came up for hearing, adjourned further hearing till Thursday while directing the seer to file a statement explaining the particulars of documents and cheques to be signed.

Explain

The court also asked him to explain how he was disbursing salaries to the employees of the mutt and the educational institutions run by the mutt in the usual course before his arrest when his counsel said that he has to sign around 200 cheques and related documents for disbursement of salaries to more than 3,500 employees of the mutt and its educational institutions, and amounts for day-to-day management of the mutt and its institutions.

The seer had filed an application before the trial court in Chitradurga as the prison authorities did not permit him to affix signatures to cheques and related documents. He approached the High Court as the trial court on September 20 rejected his plea while stating that the Memorandum of Association of the mutt's trust allows governing committee to manage the affairs.

The court said its only concern is that situation faced by the seer should not result in starvation of the institutions' staff.

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ.

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ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಗ್ರಹಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ ಅಧ್ಯಾದೇಶ 2000 ಹಾಗೂ ಆಕ್ಟ್ 2000 ರ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ್ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯುಮೆಂಟ್‌ಗಳ ನಿಯಮಗಳನ್ವಯ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ರಾಜ್ಯಪಾಲರ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರು, ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ ಇವರಿಂದ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಲೋಕೋಪಯೋಗಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೊಂದಾಯಿತರಾದ **ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರಿಂದ** ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ **ಏಕ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಮತ್ತು ದ್ವಿ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ** ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಅರ್ಹ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರು ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ www.eproc.Karnataka.gov.in/eportal/index.seam ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಾಗಿ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಪಡೆದು ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಬಹುದು.

ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರ:– ಇ– ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ– ದ್ವಿ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿ:– ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ: 3054–04–337–1–10–200 ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮತ್ತು ಇತರೆ ರಸ್ತೆಗಳ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ:– 1 ಪ್ಯಾಕೇಜ್: 1) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಹಿರೇಬೆನ್ನೂರು–ಸಿರಿಗೆರೆ–ಸಾಸಲು ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 13.00 ರಿಂದ 21.60 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ b) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ದಂಡಿಗೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ–ಕಾಗಳಗೆರೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 11.30 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 2) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಎಸ್.ಹೆಚ್–13ರಿಂದ ಶಿವಪುರ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 7.00 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ b) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಕೆಂಗುಂಟೆ–ಚನ್ನಗಿರಿ–ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಗಡಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 9.00ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 3) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ರೈಲ್ವೇ ಸ್ಟೇಷನ್–ವಂಕಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 0.60 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ b) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥನಹಳ್ಳಿ–ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ರೈಲ್ವೇ ಸ್ಟೇಷನ್ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 12.50 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ c) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಮಲ್ಲಾಡಿಹಳ್ಳಿ ಲೂಪ್ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 1.65 ರಿಂದ 3.60 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 4) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ–ಹುಲೇಮಳಲಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 10.50 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ b) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಅಗ್ರಹಾರ–ಆಡನೂರು ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 10.00 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 5) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ–ಗುಂಡೇರಿ–ರಾಮಗಿರಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 13.00 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ b) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಗೌಡಿಹಳ್ಳಿ ಹೊಸದುರ್ಗ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 8.50 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 6) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಹೆಚ್.ಡಿ.ಪುರ–ತೇಕಲವಟ್ಟಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 7.00 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ b) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ತೇಕಲವಟ್ಟಿ–ಕೊಳಾಳ್ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 5.30 ಮತ್ತು ಕಿ.ಮೀ 7.80 ರಿಂದ 9.00 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 7) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಐಮಂಗಳ–ಹೆಚ್.ಡಿ.ಪುರ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 12.67 ರಿಂದ 26.67 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ b) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಉಪ್ಪರಿಗೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ–ಅಮೃತಾಪುರ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 4.00 ಮತ್ತು ಕಿ.ಮೀ 4.27 ರಿಂದ 6.00 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 8) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಮತಿಘಟ್ಟ–ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ ತಾ. ಗಡಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 1.125 ರಿಂದ 8.20 ಮತ್ತು ಕಿ.ಮೀ 9.00 ರಿಂದ 15.30 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 9) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಹಿರೇಎಮ್ಮಿಗನೂರು–ಕಡೂರು ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 11.00 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ b) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಎಸ್.ಹೆಚ್.–48 ರಿಂದ ಅಮೃತಾಪುರ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 4.50 ರಿಂದ 6.10 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ c) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಎಸ್.ಹೆಚ್–47 ರಿಂದ ಸಿಂಗೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ–ಕೆ.ಕೆ ರಸ್ತೆ ವಯಾ ಕಾಳಘಟ್ಟ ಲಂಬಾಣಿಹಟ್ಟಿ, ಕಾಳಘಟ್ಟ, ಕಾಳಘಟ ವಡ್ಡರಹಟ್ಟಿ, ದಾಸರಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಅಬ್ಬಿಗೆರೆ, ನಂದಿಹಳ್ಳಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 15.00 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 10) a) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ಎನ್.ಹೆಚ್–13ರಿಂದ ಹೊಸದುರ್ಗ ತಾ. ಗಡಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕೀ.ಮಿ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 13.00 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ b) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಹೆದ್ದಾರಿ–369 ರಿಂದ ಚಿಕ್ಕಜಾಜೂರು ಮಾರ್ಗ ಚೀರನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಕಂಬದೇವರಹಟ್ಟಿ, ಅರೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ದಾಸರಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಮೇಕೆನಹಟ್ಟಿ, ಅಪ್ಪರಸನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಚನ್ನಪಟ್ಟಣ ಸೇರುವ ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 2.54 ಮತ್ತು ಕಿ.ಮೀ 3.03 ರಿಂದ 20.00ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ 11) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾ. ರಾಜ್ಯ ಹೆದ್ದಾರಿ–47ರ ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ಪಟ್ಟಣದಿಂದ ಹನುಮಲಿ ರಸ್ತೆ ಮಾರ್ಗ ಆವಳಹಟ್ಟಿ, ಮಾಳೇನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ನುಲೇನೂರು, ರಂಗಾಪುರ, ರಸ್ತೆ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 6.10, ಕಿ.ಮೀ 6.35 ರಿಂದ 10.00, ಕಿ.ಮೀ 11.90 ರಿಂದ 13.52, ಮತ್ತು ಕಿ.ಮೀ 14.50 ರಿಂದ 14.90ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ. (WI-156407)/2nd call ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ):– **81.00**

ಇ– ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ– ಏಕ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿ:– ಪರಿಶಿಷ್ಟ ಜಾತಿಗೆ ಮೀಸಲು:– ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ: 3054–03–337–0–05–200 ರಾಜ್ಯ ಹೆದ್ದಾರಿ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ:– (2) ಹೊಳಲ್ಕೆರೆ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಎ) ರಾಜ್ಯ ಹೆದ್ದಾರಿ–48ರ ವಿಶ್ವನಾಥನಹಳ್ಳಿಯಿಂದ ಶಿರಾ ಗಡಿ ವಯಾ ಚಿಕ್ಕಜಾಜೂರು, ಚಿತ್ರಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಹೆಚ್.ಡಿ ಪುರ, ಮಾಡದಕೆರೆ, ಭರಮಗಿರಿ, ದೊಡ್ಡಗಟ್ಟಿ, ಆದಿವಾಲ ರಂಗನಾಥಪುರ ಕಿ.ಮೀ 0.00 ರಿಂದ 49.10 ರವರೆಗೆ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ. (ವ.ಇಂ. 155604)/2ನೇ ಕರೆ. ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ. ಲಕ್ಷಗಳಲ್ಲಿ):– **28.00**

ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ. 1 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿವೆ. (1) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ವಿಚಾರಿಸಲು/ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ 06–10–2022 ಸಮಯ 17–30 (2) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ 07–10–2022 ಸಮಯ 16–00 (3)ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ 10–10–2022 ಸಮಯ 16–01 (4)ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ 12–10–2022 ಸಮಯ 11–00 **ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ. 2 ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿವೆ:–** (1) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ವಿಚಾರಿಸಲು/ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ 06–10–2022 ಸಮಯ 17–30 (2) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ 07–10–2022 ಸಮಯ 16–00 (3) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ವೇಳೆ 10–10–2022 ಸಮಯ 16–01 ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಸದರಿ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ (ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 08194 222446) ಹಾಗೂ ಹೆಚ್.ಪಿ. ಕಂಪನಿಯ ಸಹಾಯಕ ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 080 25501216 ಮತ್ತು 080 25501227 ರಿಂದ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

DIPR/CTA/MCA/566/2022-23 ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ಪಿ.ಡಬ್ಲ್ಯೂ.ಡಿ, ಚಿತ್ರದುರ್ಗ.

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 1st ADDL. PRINCIPAL FAMILY JUDGE FAMILY COURT, BANGALORE M. C. NO. 3201/ 2021

BETWEEN:
AMANDA RUTH MICHAEL .....PETITIONER
AND
RUKONDO JEAN BERNARD .....RESPONDENT

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT

To,
Mr. Rukondo Jean Bernard,
Aged 31 years,
Son of Nkubido Isaas,
Presently Residing at
No. 83, Army Colony, Chelekere,
Opposite Indian Academy College,
Hennur Main Road,
Bangalore-560 043

Whereas the Petitioner in the aforementioned case has filed the above petition U/s 10 (1) (ix) and (x) of the Indian Divorce Act, 1869, for a decree of Divorce against the Respondent and other reliefs. You are hereby summoned to appear in person before the Hon'ble 1st Additional Principal Family Judge at Bengaluru.

Take Notice that in default of your appearance on the day of **29th November 2022** the petition will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this the day of **21st September 2022**

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Sd/-
Sheristedar
Family Court, Bangalore

Sd/-
Advocate for Petitioner
AZHAR MEER & ASSOCIATES
No. 28, 2nd Floor, Castle Street, Ashok Nagar, Bengaluru

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No: BMCRI/Sec-Clng/07/2022-23 Dated: 28-09-2022

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

E-Tenders are invited through e-Procurement portal for **Outsourcing of Data Entry Operator Services required for Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute, Victoria Hospital, Vani Vilas Hospital and Minto Opthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.**
Tender details, EMD details and other related details can be viewed, downloaded and applied only through the e-Procurement mode only. Website: **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** Interested tenderers have to register in the e-Procurement portal, details of which can be viewed in the said website. **1)** Commencement date for uploading of tenders: **30-09-2022. 2)** Tender Pre Bid Meeting: **14-10-2022 at 11.30 AM. 3)** Last Date for Uploading the Tenders: **29-10-2022 before 4.30 PM. 4)** Date of Opening of Tender Technical Bid: **31-10-2022 at 11.30 AM.** For further details contact **Director cum Dean, Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute, Bangalore.**

Sd/- Director cum Dean, BMCRI, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/2407/Adverto/2022-23

KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD
3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru - 560009

TENDER NOTIFICATION (THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT PORTAL)

Karnataka Housing Board invites tender from the eligible contractors who are empanelled & also willing to empanel in Karnataka Housing Board through E-procurement for below mentioned work.

Last date for submission of bid: **11.10.2022 upto 4.00 PM.**

Name of Work: Providing and fixing Chain link fencing to Park No. 4 & 5 in Sector-C at Suryanagar Phase-II, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru.

Work Indent No: KHB/2022-23/OW/Work_Indent 1023 & IFT No.129/2022-23 Date: 27.09.2022. Amount put to tender Rs. 29,46,867/-

For further information, contact below mentioned office address: Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru. Ph: 080–22273511 / 080–22100077 website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
Karnataka Housing Board, Bengaluru

DIPR/CP/Adwit/2406/2022-23

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
MINOR IRRIGATION AND GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, BALLARI,

IFT No. EE/MI & GWDD/Bly/AE-1/2022-23/1933 Date : 27.09.2022.

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (KW-4)

On behalf of Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka the Exécutive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Division Ballari invited the tender for **02 LIS** work Siruguppa Tq Ballari Dist, under Head of Account 4702 Plan, **01 Filling to tank through Canal by Constructing Pickup** work Harapanahalli Tq, Vijayanagara Dist, under Head of Account 4702 Plan, in Two Cover System (KW-4) **Minimum Estimated amount put to tender is Rs.105.98 lakhs and Maximum Estimated amount put to tender is Rs. 264.47 lakhs,** the tenderers should download and submit the tenders from **date : 28.09.2022 to 12.10.2022 upto 17.30 hours. Date & Time of opening Technical Bid is on 14.10.2022 at 11.00 hours. Opening of Financial Bid is on 18.10.2022 at (Or after Approval of Technical Bid) 11.00 hours**. Any other information should get by login the website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- Executive Engineer, M.I. & G.W.D.Division, Ballari.
DIPR/Ballari/496/MCA/2022-23

Popular Front of India in Kerala disbands itself?

A press release issued in the name of PFI State general secretary A. Abdul Sattar asks cadres to halt political activities and organisation work; move comes in the wake of Centre's ban

The Hindu Bureau
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

The Popular Front of India (PFI) in Kerala has reportedly disbanded itself.

A press release issued in the name of PFI State general secretary A. Abdul Sattar on Wednesday asked cadres to halt political activities and organisation work.

PFI office-bearers did not return calls from journalists seeking more details about the development.

Mr. Sattar was taken into custody from his office at Karunagapally by the local police at 12.30 p.m. and handed over to the National Investigation Agency later. Hence, the news on disbanding the State unit was yet to be confirmed independently. Nevertheless, a top officer said the statement could be true. The police were tracing its provenance.

Shutters down: The Kerala headquarters of the Popular Front of India at Meenchanda in Kozhikode. K. RAGESH

The statement announcing the purported disbanding of the PFI appeared in several online media chat groups in Kerala almost simultaneously. The release said the PFI respected the rule of law and would adhere to the Centre's ban as law-abiding Indian citizens.

Meanwhile, the State police are reportedly poised to move hard against the PFI. By some accounts, the law enforcement awaits a formal communique from the Centre to initiate penal action against the remnants of the organisation in Kerala. The State police also reportedly weigh seizing the organisation's assets and freezing its bank accounts.

HC poser to Madikeri CMC president

The Hindu Bureau
BENGALURU

The High Court of Karnataka on Wednesday directed Madikeri City Municipal Council (CMC) president Anitha Poovaiah of the Bharatiya Janata Party to file an affidavit explaining how many public toilets she has inspected so far to check their maintenance.

Justice M. Nagaprasanna issued this direction while staying the First Information Report (FIR) registered against Chandrashekar and 12 other local leaders of the Congress based on her complaint lodged on August 9.

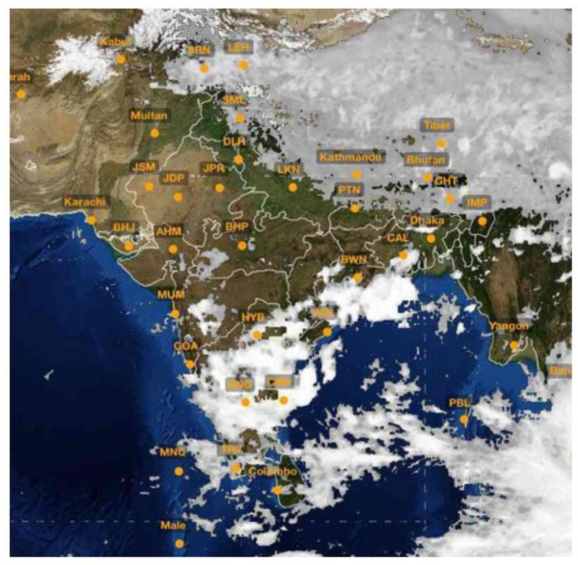
She had complained that they were the cause for the police preventing her from inspecting toilets as the president of the CMC when Siddaramaiah, Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Assembly visited Madikeri to inspect damages from heavy rain and floods. The petitioners have claimed that she was one among the BJP leaders who protested against the visit of Mr. Siddaramaiah and other leaders of the Congress and it was during their protest that some persons threw eggs on the car in which Mr. Siddaramaiah was travelling.

The petitioners have complained that she had lodged the complaint as a counter to the complaint lodged by the local Congress leaders against the incident of throwing eggs on Mr. Siddaramaiah's car.

The court stayed the FIR while terming that continuation of it would amount to abuse of process as the complaint is incongruous.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

Forecast for Thursday: Heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Odisha, Telangana, coastal Andhra Pradesh, Yanam, Rayalaseema, north interior Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Karaikal and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Thunderstorm with lightning likely at isolated places over Gangetic West Bengal, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, central Maharashtra, Vidarbha, Marathwada and Konkan & Goa

CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN	CITY	RAIN	MAX	MIN
Agartala	—	34.2	26.0	Kozhikode	—	32.7	24.6
Ahmedabad	0.7	35.0	24.6	Kurnool	—	32.7	25.4
Aizawl	—	—	—	Lucknow	—	33.7	24.4
Allahabad	—	34.6	26.0	Madurai	—	37.5	24.6
Bengaluru	—	27.6	21.1	Mangaluru	—	30.1	23.4
Bhopal	—	32.8	23.0	Mumbai	0.5	31.1	24.6
Bhubaneswar	—	34.1	25.3	Mysuru	—	31.8	21.4
Chandigarh	—	34.3	23.4	New Delhi	—	34.2	23.6
Chennai	0.3	32.4	26.9	Patna	2	34.5	25.5
Coimbatore	—	33.0	23.0	Port Blair	3	31.3	25.2
Dehradun	—	32.2	20.2	Puducherry	0.2	35.2	25.7
Gangtok	4	21.8	16.6	Pune	—	28.9	22.0
Goa	—	32.1	23.6	Raipur	—	30.9	24.8
Guwahati	—	35.0	24.9	Ranchi	1	30.6	22.6
Hubballi	—	31.0	19.0	Shillong	1	23.9	16.3
Hyderabad	7	31.7	21.9	Shimla	—	22.8	13.9
Imphal	0.6	31.9	19.7	Srinagar	—	29.3	12.8
Jaipur	—	35.8	24.9	Thiruvananthapuram	—	32.8	24.6
Kochi	—	30.8	24.1	Tiruchi	—	35.1	26.0
Kohima	2.2	23.6	17.1	Vijayawada	4	33.6	25.0
Kolkata	—	34.2	27.5	Visakhapatnam	—	34.2	26.2

(Rainfall data in mm; temperature in Celsius)

Pollutants in the air you are breathing

CITIES	SO_2	NO_2	CO	PM2.5	PM10	CODE
Ahmedabad	25	45	29	36	79	
Bengaluru	6	27	55	37	51	
Chennai	3	51	100	120	91	
Delhi	23	83	107	169	441	
Hyderabad	12	3	136	96	103	
Kolkata	3	7	27	87	21	
Lucknow	8	25	14	66	118	
Mumbai	—	113	51	73	65	
Pune	—	—	—	—	—	—
Visakhapatnam	15	38	14	47	81	

Yesterday

In observation made at 4.00 p.m., Tiruppur, Tamil Nadu recorded an overall air quality index (AQI) score of 260 indicating an unhealthy level of pollution. In contrast, Gangtok, Sikkim recorded a healthy AQI score of 22

Air Quality Code: Poor | Moderate | Good (Readings indicate average AQI)

SO_2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

NO_2: Nitrogen Dioxide. Aggravates respiratory illness, causes haze to form by reacting with other air particles, causes acid rain, pollutes coastal waters.

CO: Carbon monoxide. High concentration in air reduces oxygen supply to critical organs like the heart and brain. At very high levels, it can cause dizziness, confusion, unconsciousness and even death.

PM2.5 & PM10: Particulate matter pollution can cause irritation of the eyes, nose and throat, coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath, reduced lung function, irregular heartbeat, asthma attacks, heart attacks and premature death in people with heart or lung disease

Two actors sexually assaulted in Kerala mall

The Hindu Bureau
KOZHIKODE

A special team will probe an incident in which two women actors were allegedly sexually assaulted at a mall in Kozhikode by some people in the crowd while they were leaving after attending a movie promotion function on Tuesday.

The incident came to light after one of the actors took to social media and expressed her anger.

BJP's OBC Morcha to have panels at booth-level in every constituency

V. Geetanath
HYDERABAD

The BJP's national Other Backward Classes (OBC) Morcha is expected to play an important role in the next general elections.

The party is forming committees down to the booth level in every constituency, with at least five members in each committee, after it successfully created 856 district and 12,000 mandal committees of Backward Classes in the last couple of years. "For the first time, the country has a BC (Backward Class person) as Prime Minister in Narendra Modi. It is our responsibility to bring OBCs under our party fold and win them over as our government has taken up many schemes for their welfare and development. We have been giving them posts in both the party and government, proportional to their population," Rajya Sabha MP and the BJP's national OBC president K. Laxman said.

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> **K. Laxman**
> BJP's national OBC president

Mr. Laxman said the BJP has resolved to take up campaigns, community meetings and exhibitions on its schemes for OBCs to ensure they reach the targeted last mile beneficiaries.

'Jagan never mounted pressure on Telangana CM'

The Hindu Bureau
VIJAYAWADA

Telangana Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhar Rao will be forced to sort out pending issues with Andhra Pradesh if its Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy mounts pressure on him, said BJP Rajya Sabha member G.V.L. Narasimha Rao.

But, Mr. Reddy never mounted pressure on Telangana due to his personal compulsions, he said.

TAMIL NADU GENERATION AND DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION LIMITED

E-tenders through e-procurement platform at **https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app** as per the instructions in the tender specifications Coal(Ship)– 115 Dated 21.09.2022:

Sl No:	Specification No.	Description of Work/Materials	Due date & Time for submission of e-tender
1	Coal (Ship) - 115 Dated 21.09.2022	SERVICES AS CHARTERER'S AGENTS FOR AGENCY WORKS AND FOR ENGAGING SURVEYORS AT LOAD PORT OF GANGAVARAM, DISCHARGE PORT OF KARAIKAL AND FOR CO-ORDINATING BUNKERING ACTIVITY AND FOR MAKING TIMELY PAYMENTS OF PORT CHARGES AT CHENNAI PORT FOR THE VESSELS CHARTERED BY TANGEDCO FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS	17.10.2022 Upto 14:30 Hours.

Submission of E-Tender: THROUGH THIS HYPERLINK **https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**

Date & Time of commencement of download of Tender Specifications Coal (Ship) - 115 **Dated 21.09.2022: 14:30 Hrs./29.09.2022**

Soft copy of Tender Specifications:
The tender specifications can be downloaded from TANGEDCO website **www.tangedco.gov.in,** from Tamil Nadu Government Web site i.e. **www.tenders.tn.gov.in** and from National Informatics Center website **https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app** free of cost.

Tenders will be opened: Through the NIC portal **https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**

DIPR / 4341 / TENDER / 2022 — **CHIEF ENGINEER/MECH/COAL TANGEDCO/CHENNAI-2**

"சோதனை கடந்து சுதந்திரம் அடைந்தோம், சாதனை புரிந்து சரித்திரம் படைப்போம்"

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
PWD, Ramanagara Special Division, Ramanagara.

Short Term Tender Notification No. 02/2022-23 Date : 27-09-2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Short Term Tenders are invited in Two Cover System from the eligible contractors for **08 works** from **Rs. 100.00 Lakh to Rs. 200.00 Lakhs** through e-procurement portal as per the Standard bid documents. The eligible contractors can participate in this tender through **e-procurement portal http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.** Documents may be downloaded from **12-10-2022 to 27-10-2022, Last date for submission of tender 27-10-2022 upto 16.00 hours, Pre-Bid meeting 19-10-2022 at 11.30 Hrs. Date of opening of Technical Bid 28-10-2022 (If possible) at 16.30 hours. Tender Processing Fees, EMD as per E-Procurement. For more information contact the undersigned during Office Hours.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
PWD Spl. Division, Ramanagara.

DIPR/Ramanagar/247/Manipal/2022-23

Govt. of Karnataka
Office of the Executive Engineer,
Panchayath Raj Engineering Division, Vijayapur
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NO:PRED/VJP/E-Proc/TND/2022-23/1587 Dated:23.09.2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (Two Cover System)

Tender called for the work in the above notification through E-mode tendering is read as below.Item rate Tender under two cover bid system is invited as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement ACT 1999 and Rules 2000 STANDARD BID DOCUMENT KW-3 through electronic Tendering system (e-tender from Class -1 Contractor (Civil) registered in KPWD/PRED/ who have got adequate financial resources, state of technology, suitable construction equipments technical man power & sufficient past experience for the following work as per the schedule given below.

1. Improvements to Road from Jodgudi-Tadavalaga Road in Indi taluka (Km 0.00 to 3.00) Rs 100.00 lakhs (KW-3)
2. Improvements to Road from Nimbal RS – Nimbal KD – Nimbal BK Road in Indi taluka Rs 100.00 lakhs (KW-3)
3. Improvements to Road from Budihal Approch Road in Indi taluka Rs 100.00 lakhs (KW-3)
4. Improvements to Road from Gubbewad to Shiragur Road in Indi taluka Rs 100.00 lakhs (KW-3)

Details in this regard are available on website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in or contact the above office during office hours

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
P.R.E. Division, Vijayapur

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KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/ AEE-1/F-/22-23/6494-96 Date: 27.09.2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(E-PROCUREMENT MODE ONLY)

KPTCL invites bid against enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/ Tr(M)/ BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-1/2021-22/EPR-10/CALL-10 Dated: 11.10.2021 in combined for the following works:

1. Replacement of damaged, deteriorated conductor of 220KV Somanahalli-Yarandanahalli and 220kV Somanahalli - Subramanyapura line at Kulumepalya in TLM Sub-Division Somanahalli, Bangalore.

2. Providing Intermediate Tower to increase the vertical clearance of the existing 220kV Hoody-BIAL S/C line between Tower No. 44 and 45 near Yarappanahally village Kadagrahara limits, TLM Hoody on Total turnkey basis.

3. Estimate for providing Double string Insulator in 220kV Tatguni - Vrushabavathi line passing Pipeline & Nice road near Ayurvedic Hospital which is identified as hazordous location, in TLM Sub-Division Somanahalli, Bangalore.

4. Estimate for providing Double string Insulator in 220kV Khodays-Subramanyapura & 220kV Subramanyapura-Peenya lines(DC) are passing Pipeline at Gubbalala which is identified as hazordous location, in TLM Sub-Division Somanahalli, Bangalore.

5. Increasing the vertical clearance of existing 220kV Somanahalli-HSR and Somanahalli-Naganthapura line at Basavanapura, near Abhaya Laksmi Narasimha temple by erecting new 220kV DB+6 NRS-Laggere design type tower by replacing the existing 220kV DC A type tower in the jurisdiction of TLM Somanahalli.

6. Increasing the vertical clearance of existing 220kV Somanahalli-HSR and Somanahalli-Naganthapura line at Begur to koppa road near Mylasandra dinne, by erecting new 'DA+9" 220 DC 'A' Tower Gadag- Bagalakote design type tower by replacing existing 'DA+0' type tower, in the jurisdiction of TLM Subdivision Somanahalli.

No. SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/ AEE-1/F-/22-23/6501-03 Date: 27.09.2022

KPTCL invites bid against enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/ Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-1/2021-22/EPR-18/CALL-09 Dated:28.12.2021 for the work of replacement of deteriorated tower type DA+0 at 66KV Tower No.71 in the existing 66/11KV DG3-DG4 DC line from existing 66/11KV Manyatha Tech Park S/s., to existing 66/11KV Hoskote S/s near Hirandahali lake limits, Bangalore Rural.

The bids will be received through e-Procurement mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject tenders can be got by logging on to **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in with hyperlink 'e-Procurement-KPTCL' or to https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after 29.09.2022.** Any other details can be had from the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer (Elecl.)
Tr(M), BMAZ, South Circle, KPTCL, 'A' station premises, Office Complex, Ground Floor, A.R.Circle, Bengaluru-560009. Ph./Fax : 22386686-85

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ದಿನಾಂಕ : 07–09–2022

ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ
(ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ)

ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾದ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಪತ್ರ ದಿನಾಂಕ : 02–09–2022 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾದ DMA/2022-23/OW/WORK_INDENT 135734, 135736, 135737, 135738 ಗಳನ್ನು ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಕಾರಣಗಳಿಂದ ರದ್ದುಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಉಳಿದಂತೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಇರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಯಾವುದಾದರೂ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

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Phone: 080-29787463, Mobile: 9448367736

No: 18/2022-23/1100 Date: 26-09-2022

Short Term Tender Notification

Tenders are invited on behalf of Governor of Karnataka according to KTTP Act 2000 through E-procurement Portal for the works under 2021-22, 2215 H/A under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) to **Provide FHTCs to House Holds in Bangalore Rural District (Standard Tender Document KW-1, KW-2, KW-3 & KW-4)** Application & EMD Payment to be done through E-Procurement Portal.

General Conditions: (1) Contractor has to upload Document in online only. **(2)** All qualifying documents has to be attached in online.

(1) Tender Schedule can be downloaded from website from: 27-09-2022 after 4:00 p.m. (2) Last Date for Tender uploading : 15-10-2022, upto 4:00 p.m. (3) Date of opening of Tender / Technical Bid : 17-10-2022 at 11:00 a.m. (4) Date of opening of Financial Bid : 21-10-2022 at 11:00 a.m.

More details can be taken from the office of the undersigned and also through **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** by clicking List of Tenders which will link to all Dept. works list.

Sd/- (S. M. Subhan Saheb)
Executive Engineer
DIPR/CP/RO2394/AAPL/2022-23 **RDW&S Division, Bangalore Rural**

KARNATAKA STATE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
3th Floor, 5th Stage, M.S. Building,
Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bengaluru-560 001.

No. HRC/64/ADM/2021 Date: 22.09.2022

BRIEF NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited for 01 post of **Accounts Superintendent**, 01 post of **Judgement Writer**, 01 post of **Senior Assistant**, 01 post of **Legal Assistant/ Research Assistant**, 01 post of **Assistant** and 02 posts of **Stenographers** in the Karnataka State Human Rights Commission, to be filled temporarily on contract basis from eligible candidates, initially for a **period of 06 months**. Detailed notification and application format is published on the website of the Commission **www.kshrc.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for submitting application is **20.10.2022**.

DIPR/CP/JA/2401/2022-23 **Sd/- Secretary.**

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
(PROJECT ORGANISATION)
Tender Notice

1. E-Tender Notice No. : Proj_MS_MAS_AJJ_EI_22_05 Dated : 27.09.2022	2. E-Tender Notice No. : Proj_MS_MSDACDesign_22_06 Dated : 27.09.2022
Name of the work and its location : Provision of Electronic Interlocking/Object Controller Interfaces in Auto Location Huts and Provision of Centralization to Auto Signalling in connection with Modern Train Control System in Chennai Central (MAS) - Arakkonam Jn (AJJ) Section of Chennai Division.	**Name of the work and its location :** Design, Verification and Submission of Interface Circuit Diagram in connection with MSDAC Work in Auto sections and provision of MSDAC Diagnostics for Remote Monitoring in Chennai Division of Southern Railway.
Estimated cost of the work : Rs.32,22,44,216.62	**Estimated cost of the work :** Rs.49,56,360/-
Bidding System : Two Packet Tender	**Bidding System :** Single Packet Tender
Earnest Money (EMD) : Rs.17,61,200/-	**Earnest Money (EMD) :** Rs.99,100/-
Completion period : 9 Months	**Completion period :** 12 Months
Last date and time of online submission (closing) of tender document : 19.10.2022 upto 14.00 Hrs.	**Last date and time of online submission (closing) of tender document :** 26.10.2022 upto 14.00 Hrs.
Website address, time and date from which tender documents will be available : On Indian Railway Website i.e., **www.ireps.gov.in** from **27.09.2022**	**Website address, time and date from which tender documents will be available :** On Indian Railway Website i.e., **www.ireps.gov.in** from **27.09.2022**
Validity of offers : 90 Days.	**Validity of offers :** 45 Days.

Note : The detailed Tender Notice, Tender document along with terms & conditions and if any corrigendum to tender is issued can be accessed through (**www.ireps.gov.in**).

Dy. Chief Signal & Telecomm. Engineer, Project,
Southern Railway, Chetpet, Chennai - 31.

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E – TENDER NOTIFICATION Date: 27.09.2022

Tenders are invited from the registered suppliers / Agencies through Karnataka e-Procurement Portal for the following Services. The details are as under:

Sl No.	Tender Notification Number	Tender Description	Estimated Tender Value	Last Date & Time for submission of Tender / Bids	Date & Time of Technical Bid Opening
01.	MPVL/2022-23/MANPOWER	Supply of Manpower	Rs.1.02 Cr	14.10.2022 @ 17.00 Hrs	17.10.2022 @ 11.00 Hrs
02.	MPVL/2022 -23/ADMIN/ SECURITY	Supply of Security Personnel	Rs.56.64 Lakh		

Interested parties may visit **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in,** for details and participating in the tender.

For Mysore Paints and Varnish Ltd.,
Sd/-
TIA / General Manager (Admin)

Separately together

The Opposition is too divided on issues to form a national alternative to the BJP

With the 2024 Lok Sabha election 19 months away, the chorus on Opposition unity is getting louder once more. Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar in the last one month has already been to Delhi twice, crooning the anthem to bring everyone together. He is not the only one singing this song. Telangana Chief Minister K. Chandrashekar Rao has travelled to Delhi, Patna and Bengaluru to explore an anti-Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) front. The Left parties routinely call for uniting all "secular democratic forces" without really spelling out who will come within this bracket. But despite these parleys, the possibility of a 1977-type Opposition alliance is unlikely to materialise. At an event organised by the Indian National Lok Dal in Haryana recently, several parties came together, but the Congress was pointedly excluded, prompting Mr. Kumar to publicly state that no Opposition alliance can be meaningful without it. Samajwadi Party President Akhilesh Yadav is never found wanting in taking on the BJP, but is now sceptical about tying up with the Bahujan Samaj Party and the Congress and is very hostile to the idea of Mr. Kumar trying to expand his footprint into Uttar Pradesh. The Congress is critical for any Opposition unity and its former President Rahul Gandhi is walking from Kanyakumari to Kashmir with the slogan of 'unite India'. But the party is also caught up in a storm of internal politics at the moment.

The Aam Aadmi Party's National Convenor Arvind Kejriwal is fancying his prospects of emerging as the alternative to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and does not want to dilute his stakes in a larger formation. The Trinamool Congress (TMC), which is the second largest Opposition party in Parliament, has been eerily silent on 'opposition unity'. West Bengal Chief Minister and TMC chief Mamata Banerjee is no longer exhibiting the enthusiasm she showed ahead of the 2019 Lok Sabha election. The TMC chose to abstain rather than side with the Opposition in the Vice-Presidential election. It is not as if Opposition unity alone can defeat the BJP. In 2019 in Uttar Pradesh, the SP and the BSP came together but failed to push back the BJP in the State. Still, State-level partnerships of anti-BJP parties can be more viable than national-level attempts. The more these parties try to show unity at the national or multi-State level, the more their contradictions show up. Focusing on each State separately, attending to the local particularities, might be more useful for these parties.

Talent, recognition

Science awards are an encouragement and should not be cut down

The Centre has decided that awards, prizes and fellowships by various ministries and departments need a wholesale relook. The Ministry of Home Affairs, which is executing this directive, has moved much beyond its usual remit of awards for police officers and gallantry medals and irrupted into the world of scientific and medical research. India's scientific ministries recently made presentations to the Union Home Secretary, Ajay Bhalla, on awards given to scientists at different stages of their career. They also had to list out which were 'National Awards' and which were funded out of private endowments. Though a final call is yet to be taken, the quorum – and this consisted of the Secretaries, or the heads of each of these ministries – was of the opinion that most awards ought to be done away with and ministries could either retain only some of the National Awards or institute one or two 'high status' awards. The rationale for pruning, Mr. Bhalla has said, follows from a "vision" of Prime Minister Narendra Modi regarding "Transformation of the Awards Ecosystem". In 2018, Mr. Modi had said that his government had modified the system of the Padma awards and ensured it recognised ordinary people doing selfless work rather than well-known personalities who repeatedly bag them. The awards, Mr. Bhalla has said, ought to be restricted, and have a transparent selection process.

Awards and prizes recognise achievement, but in science and medical research, they are also meant to spur younger scientists towards loftier, imaginative goals. Unlike in sport – or even gallantry awards – where it is relatively easier to define a set of benchmarks and confer medals on achievers, scientific research is open ended, circuitous and – as the history of science reveals – punctuated by lucky breaks. It is possible to train talented youth to be Olympians or international cricketers but impossible to create an Einstein or a Chandrasekhar. Almost every Nobel Laureate in the modern era has won various secondary prizes and recognition in their early career and every year; there is as much debate on who was omitted as on the person who won. Recognising early career potential will remain fraught with subjectivity and, with fewer awards on offer, could provoke increased discontent. Contrary to the Prime Minister's vision, fewer awards may actually miss many more promising talents and amplify epaulettes to the already decorated. Awards cost ministries money but the meeting did not discuss whether cutting costs was a factor in the rationalisation. As it is unclear what existing problem the new scheme solves, the Centre should reconsider the merits of its proposal.

Globe-changing reverberations of the Ukraine war

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The justification for Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February will long be debated. Every big power has fears of being surrounded. On its historically vulnerable western front, Russia had one supportive neighbour, six North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) adversaries, and two who are ambiguously inclined, while Ukraine's relations with the European Union (EU) and NATO were always a matter of contention. After the Putin-Biden Geneva encounter in mid-2021, the high intensity of interactions between NATO members and Russia raised hopes of a detente, but Russian President Vladimir Putin chose invasion over negotiation, ignoring the degraded and inexperienced state of his armed forces, Ukraine's military being the biggest in Europe with 2,00,000 men, 6,00,000 reserves, 1,000 tanks and 130 aircraft, Ukraine's willingness to resist, and NATO's determination to punish Russia.

The West's hypocritical sanctions

Ukraine has been massively assisted by NATO weaponry, training, communications, satellite and human intelligence, reconnaissance, information processing systems and total control over the global media. While the World Bank is slow to help devastated war-torn nations such as Yemen and Afghanistan, it rushed $4.5 billion to Ukraine, while the International Monetary Fund came up with $1.4 billion. The West fails to understand how hypocritical its sanctions appear. For example, the United States exerted much effort persuading India and others to boycott Iranian and Venezuelan oil, only to try to get those shipments back on the market after its opposition shifted to Russia.

For its confused objectives, poor strategy and weak logistics, Russia has paid a high price, militarily, economically and diplomatically. More human losses have already been sustained than during its 10-year intervention in Afghanistan. The war has also caused huge devastation in the most industrial parts of Ukraine, with over 10 million persons crossing to neighbouring countries and over seven million internally displaced.

> The vision of a multi-polar world could soon fade away with rivalries in a new Cold War becoming sharper and the gulf in mutual understanding widening

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Actions and counter-actions

The current Ukraine counter-offensive that claims to have retaken 6,500 square kilometres and driven Russian forces back to the Kharkiv border, led to the announcement by Mr. Putin of holding a referendum in the occupied provinces of Luhansk, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia and Kherson (on joining Russia), mobilising 3,00,000 Russian reservists, and threatening to use nuclear weapons. Ukraine and NATO regard these actions as evidence of Russian weakness, noting that an army in retreat loses morale rapidly, and Russian public opinion is highly prone to mood swings.

Mobilisation is something the Kremlin wished to avoid, correctly fearing there was little Russian appetite to fight, especially against fellow Slavs. Experts believe the additional manpower will not offset the intrinsic weaknesses of the Russian forces. Mr. Putin's tactic through referenda to define parts of Ukraine as Russian – like Crimea – will remain unrecognised, though Russia controls most of Luhansk and Kherson, about 80% of Zaporizhzhia and 60% of Donetsk. Nearly 8,00,000 new Russian passports have been issued in Ukraine over the past two years.

In 2020, Russia declared it would use nuclear weapons in four instances: if alarmed by an incoming missile; subjected to attack by weapons of mass destruction; suffered damage to infrastructure that housed its nuclear arsenal, or when conventional war threatened the existence of Russia. Mr. Putin now interprets the current war as an existential struggle in which Russia would make use "of all weapon systems available to us". Russia has 5,977 nuclear warheads, of which 1,588 are deployed operationally. There has been vigorous western pushback to Mr. Putin's threat, pointing out that no such thing as a limited nuclear war could exist.

Washington has declared that it will accept no compromise, and is ready to continue the fight until the last Ukrainian if necessary. This disincentivises Mr. Putin, for whom any peace deal is acceptable only if it includes the lifting of all sanctions. Big powers, fearing loss of political legitimacy and strategic status, have always proved unwilling or incapable of ending wars even at great cost to themselves and the victims, even though they knew victory was beyond them.

What are the consequences of the first major armed conflict in Europe since the Second World War? A country devastated by Russia would remain hostile; resistance instigated by the West will continue, making life in the absorbed enclaves difficult. Mr. Putin's objective of ensuring Russia's security will remain elusive. If the war drags on, it will suit the West, just as prolonged American entanglement in Afghanistan suited its adversaries. Under pressure from both domestic anti-war activists and ultra-nationalists, Mr. Putin will suffer reputational damage internationally and domestically. Therefore, even a Russian face-saving outcome could prove pyrrhic.

Today's world is "shaped by raw power politics, where everything is weaponised", as the EU Foreign Policy chief Josep Borrell put it, when major powers are divided, the international community polarised and protectionism rampant. Rivalries during the new Cold War would be sharper than its predecessor, particularly through the menace of nuclear arms because the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will come under huge stress to stay relevant. Elements of western coercion on a massive scale, covering energy, sanctions, finance, banking, cyberspace, digital technologies and social media, signal the weapons of the future.

Where China and India stand

The Russian invasion leaves China in a complicated predicament; Beijing could enlist Russia as a junior partner or buttress it even though China thereby risks confronting its major trade partners, the United States and the EU. As the only permanent member in the UN Security Council not directly involved in the war, China enjoys both leverage and self-interest in shaping the outcome of the conflict, considering the politico-strategic ramifications on its own future. But it has no history or experience of peacemaking or mediation.

The strength of nationalism, based on ethnicity, culture, religion, history and language, will grow. The Ukraine war will lead to major economic shifts. States suffering from western sanctions or affected collaterally will seek alternative financial and monetary platforms beyond the control of Washington and Brussels in order to bypass current transnational financial arteries and challenge the dollar as a reserve currency. Fragmentation of the monetary and financial order should be anticipated, including increased protectionism and a retreat from globalisation which will severely depress the growth of world trade. Clashing self-perceptions by both the West and Russia that are messianic and self-righteous, make the gulf in mutual understanding unbridgeable. Russia declares an intention to shift to an eastward orientation advocated by ideologues of Eurasianism such as Aleksandr Dugin, but rebalancing would be difficult in view of Russia's major security concerns and the cultural preferences of its élite.

As for India, the diminution of Russia as a partner will set back its longed-for multi-polar world and its security in terms of political support and collaborative projects in defence, space and nuclear energy. However, the expected turn to the U.S. would come at the cost of greater expense and greater conditionality.

In nature's warning signs, a nudge to riparian states

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There has been an increase in the magnitude, the frequency and the intensity of floods in many parts of the world. As an example, nearly a third of Pakistan is experiencing devastation, with a spread of diseases and severe shortage of potable water after intense flooding. In June this year Assam experienced one of its worst floods in living memory which affected over 30 districts. In some districts in Assam and Bihar, flooding is a recurrent feature, and thus a major impediment in ensuring poverty alleviation and meeting Millennium Development Goals.

Flooding is still considered to be a natural phenomenon that cannot be entirely prevented. But it is compounded by the lack of transparency in the sharing of hydrological information and also information relating to activities (such as by one riparian state) that are transboundary in their effect (affecting other riparian states), thus serving as an obstacle in understanding the magnitude of flooding.

On customary international law

In accordance with customary international law, no state has to use its territory in a manner that causes harm to another state while using a shared natural resource; this amounts to saying that there is a binding obligation on all states not to release water to cause floods in another co-sharer of the river water. This obligation gives rise to other procedural norms that support the management of floods, which include notification of planned measures, the exchange of data and information, and also public participation.

The International Court of Justice (ICJ), in the Pulp Mills on the River Uruguay (Argentina vs Uruguay) case (2010), upheld that conducting a transboundary environmental impact assessment (TEIA) of a planned measure or projects on the shared water course is part of customary international law. In fact, the ICJ noted that the acting state must notify the affected party of the results of TEIA to "enable the notified party to participate in the process of ensuring that the assessment is complete, so that it can then consider the plan and its effects with a full knowledge of the facts".

> With the devastating effects of climate change visible, riparian states across the world must comply with all the procedural duties pursuant to the 'no harm rule'

The Brahmaputra and India's concerns

Closer home, there is the case of China being the upper riparian in the Brahmaputra, which spans India and Bangladesh, enjoying apparent leverage *vis-à-vis* lower riparian India. During the monsoon, flooding has been the recurrent feature in the last several decades in Assam. India faces other woes in the form of the construction of dams by China. China's excessive water release, as a "dam controller", in violation of customary international law has the potential to exacerbate flooding in Assam in future. India's main concern is that there is no comprehensive sub-basin or all basin-level mechanism to deal with water management of Brahmaputra. Neither India or China are party to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses (UNWC) 1997 or the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes 1992 (Water Convention).

The UNWC contains a direct reference to floods, which covers harmful conditions and emergency situations. Article 27 of the Convention says: "Watercourse States shall, individually and, where appropriate, jointly, take all appropriate measures to prevent or mitigate conditions ...that may be harmful to other watercourse States, whether resulting from natural causes or human conduct, such as floods or ice conditions, water-borne diseases, siltation, erosion, salt-water intrusion, drought or desertification."

In the absence of any mechanism, India relies on its memorandum of understanding (MoU) with China in 2013 with a view to sharing hydrological information during the flood season (June to September). The MoU does not allow India access to urbanisation and deforestation activities on the Chinese side of the river basin. With the MoU in the background, India by becoming a party to either the UNWC and the Water Convention could lay the groundwork for a bilateral treaty on the Brahmaputra but subject to the reservation that it should not insist on the insertion of a dispute settlement mechanism provision.

India, Nepal and flood prevention

Floods are also a recurrent problem in the Koshi and Gandak river basins that are shared by India and Nepal. The intensity and magnitude of flooding is rising because of heavy seasonal precipitation as well as glacial retreat due to global warming and human-induced stressors such as land use and land cover changes in the river basin area of Nepal (Terai) and Bihar. It is important that the two neighbours view the river basins as single entities, which will help in facilitating an integrated approach for improved basin and flood risk management. The India-Nepal Koshi agreement 1954 (revised in 1966) is aimed at reducing devastating flooding in the river basin. The treaty-based joint bodies have also tried to refine the early warning systems for flood forecasting. In contravention of procedural customary international law obligation, India considers data on transboundary rivers as classified information, which is one of the key challenges in developing cross-border flood warning systems. In light of the cataclysmic floods in Pakistan and the visible effects of climate change, it is important that all riparian states must comply with all the procedural duties pursuant to the no harm rule. They must also think of becoming a party to either the UNWC or the UNECE Water Convention.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The rest versus the best

The article on engineering education (OpEd page, September 28) eloquently brings out the quality of knowledge and training imparted in most colleges as well as the mirage around salary packages offered to some of our graduates from select colleges. In short, the rampant inequality of training provided at a very high cost. The social irony is that people who have the wherewithal (social and economic) to acquire knowledge and achieve have no skills to convert knowledge into products and services. Those who have the skills and the propensity to 'soil their hands' are/were discouraged from acquiring knowledge. With proper backing, the "rest" can contribute enormously to India's GDP.

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Livestreaming

When the print media is reporting 'sub judice' matters, there is no reason as to why the Supreme Court proceedings should not be live-streamed. The intellectual arguments and thought-provoking salvos in court must reach all. Perhaps there needs to be a dedicated national channel for this.

K. Pradeep,
Chennai

The redesign

As an octogenarian who has religiously read *The Hindu* to my heart's content daily ever since my brimming youth, I find the facelift to be good. The reading experience has improved. I offer my best wishes.

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Rediscovering the Bay of Bengal

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The Bay of Bengal (the Bay) is experiencing an increase in geo-economic, geopolitical, and geo-cultural activity. It is poised to once again play a key role in shaping the maritime order in Asia. Therefore, it is noteworthy that at the fourth BIMSTEC summit, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the opening of the Centre for Bay of Bengal Studies (CBS) at Nalanda University. The official launch of the CBS has once again demonstrated India's commitment to advancing constructive agendas by forging connections and setting up platforms for all those with an interest in the Bay.

Rethinking the Bay

CBS will offer collaborations in areas such as geo-economics and geopolitics, ecology, trade and connectivity, maritime security, maritime law, cultural heritage, and blue economy to generate opportunities for the Bay region. This will strengthen India's overall framework for maritime engagement, which aims to advance sustainable economic growth for all by fostering closer nautical ties.

The Bay has long been a major commerce hub for the Indian Ocean. It created a conduit between the East and the West in terms for trade and culture. An Indo-Pacific orientation and the realignment of global economic and military power towards Asia have had a considerable impact on the Bay region. The key sea lanes of communication in this area are lifelines for global economic security and are crucial to the energy security that powers the economies of many countries in the region. Further, non-traditional dangers including terrorism and climate change have become more prevalent. The Bay also provides an opportunity for greater regional cooperation in the environmentally friendly exploration of marine and energy resources. The Bay has a biodiverse marine environment. It receives water from some of the world's largest rivers. It is a partially enclosed sea that has given rise to several geological characteristics. It is home to many rare and endangered marine species and mangroves, which are essential to the survival of the ecology and the fishing sector.

Disorder at the Bay

The region's maritime environment has changed as a result of major powers expanding their economic and geopolitical influence. Political and cultural engagement, together with economic competition, have taken on new dimensions. More crucially, the Bay's ecosystem is going through an unprecedented crisis brought on by widespread environmental exploitation and geopolitical unrest. Species extinction is a result of careless exploitation of the maritime environment, which has severe consequences on biodiversity.

Problems such as population growth, altered land use, excessive resource exploitation, salinisation, sea level rise, and climate change are exerting significant strain on the Bay's environment. Operational discharge from small and medium feeder ships, shipping collisions, unintentional oil spills, industrial waste, pollution, and the accumulation of non-biodegradable plastic litter are all contributing to the deterioration of the Bay. A dead zone has formed as a result, and the mangrove trees that protect the shore from the fury of nature are under more threat than ever.

For a better knowledge of challenges, and strategies to overcome them for the sustainable development of the region, more focused and interdisciplinary study is required on these issues. By founding the CBS, Nalanda University has already started its journey and given the nation a unique interdisciplinary research centre devoted to Bay-focused teaching, research, and capacity building. Additionally, scholars from many countries and academic streams are already participating in CBS's first certificate programme on the Bay.

It is essential that nautical neighbours develop a partnership and cooperate because of the maritime domain's interrelated and interdependent nature, transnational character, and cross-jurisdictional engagement of various governments and diverse organisations and enterprises. A few concerns that need immediate attention include expanding cooperation in maritime safety and security, enhancing cooperation on maritime connectivity and the ease of maritime transit, and boosting investment possibilities in the maritime connectivity sector. The latter subject involves addressing non-traditional threats and fostering group efforts to reduce illicit, unreported, and unregulated fishing. Standardising and harmonising data reporting remains a challenge. Furthermore, regional marine entities should strive to balance opportunities and goals on a national, regional, and international scale.

Littoral governments need to support and promote skill-building, research, and training. Countries in the region will need to mobilise incentives and investments, manage oceanic affairs more effectively, and support people as they switch to alternative lifestyles. Working together is important due to shared nautical concerns and the complexity of the marine environment.

The Centre for Bay of Bengal Studies will strengthen India's overall framework for maritime engagement

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Kerala: the ever-elusive State for the BJP

The party has not been able to work out a plan that resonates with the State

STATE OF PLAY

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Despite its growth in other parts of India, the BJP has failed to get a strong foothold in any southern State barring Karnataka. Luck has been particularly elusive for the BJP in Kerala. For nearly two decades, the national party leadership has been struggling, without success, to elbow its way through the multi-layered bipolar polity led by two main parties in Kerala – the Congress and the CPI(M). With less than two years left for the next general election, the BJP's central leadership has evolved various strategies to win Parliament seats from the southern-most State.

Earlier this month, to fine-tune its organisational apparatus, the BJP shuffled 15 leaders in charge of the party in various States. C.P. Radhakrishnan, a former Lok Sabha MP, who was in charge of Kerala, was replaced by former Union Minister Prakash Javadekar. In its national executive meeting in Hyderabad, the party spoke of going beyond its Hindu support base. Prime Minister Narendra Modi also spoke of wooing Muslims and Christians, which were perceived as plans for the south. Union Ministers have been given charge of six constituencies in Kerala to evaluate the party's prospects and challenges.

In July, the party nominated celebrated athlete P.T. Usha from Kerala to the Rajya Sabha. Six years ago, the party had nominated actor Suresh Gopi to the Upper House, hoping to piggyback on his popularity. Though he could only finish third in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls and 2021 Assembly polls in Thrissur, Mr. Gopi found favour with the voters, securing 30% of the votes.

Likewise, the party experimented with technocrat E. Sreedharan and retired IPS officer Jacob Thomas in the 2021 Assembly polls in a bid to increase its tally from the one seat, Nemom, that O. Rajagopal had won in the 2016 elections. But its poll ride came to a halt as former Mizoram Governor, Kummanam Rajasekharan, entrusted with retaining Nemom in Thiruvananthapuram, failed. The reckless attempt by party State president K. Surendran to contest from two segments fell flat.

Kerala is perceived as some as a fertile ground for the party, but the BJP leadership has been unsuccessful in working out a game plan that resonates with the State. The faction-riven party is impuissant to even build a leadership in Kerala like other political parties. In the past, the BJP had seasoned mentors and tacticians such as K.G. Marar and P.P. Mukundan who could be relied on to gain political ground. The party paid a heavy price by replacing them with short-sighted leaders who failed to understand the pulse of the electorate and the shifting political realities.

The BJP's central and State leadership have been blamed for their shallow understanding of the socio-economic and political shifts in Kerala. The State unit's power play has been confined to a blitzkrieg campaign, fuelled by funds from the Central unit, during the time of elections, ever since Mr. Modi became the Prime Minister.

The party had spearheaded protests against the Supreme Court's verdict to allow women of all ages to visit the Ayyappa temple in Sabarimala and the agitation against the construction of a private airport at the heritage town in Aranmula. But these protests failed to convert to votes.

The party has also been ineffectual in wooing Christians, especially Catholics, who support the BJP in Goa. For some time now, BJP leaders, including national president J.P. Nadda, have been meeting Catholic archbishops in Kerala. Under the initiative of Goa Governor P.S. Sreedharan Pillai, three cardinals of the Catholic Church also met Mr. Modi in Delhi to request him to invite the Pope to India. Incidentally, Mr. Modi met the Pontiff at the Vatican when he attended the G20 summit last year.

Today, with the Centre proscribing the Islamist outfit, the Popular Front of India, many BJP leaders believe that the initiative shown by the government in dealing with radical outfits will reap some political rewards. However, this will not be enough as barely any Muslim organisation supports the BJP at present.

If the BJP is to compete with the Congress-led UDF and the CPI(M)-led LDF in Kerala, a top-down approach may not work. The party will have to rectify the flaws in its organisational set-up. Political observers feel that it is high time the leadership addresses the bitter factionalism plaguing the State unit. Leaders of the BJP will have to strike a grassroots connection with workers and identify local issues for election campaigns.

Automation has impacted lower-level jobs in banks

ATM usage, mobile and online transactions, and fewer new bank branches have led to reduced recruitment

DATA POINT

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On Wednesday, *Business Standard* reported that the Union Finance Ministry had asked the heads of public sector banks (PSBs) for a plan to improve employee count. A week ago, *BusinessLine* had reported that vacancies announced for clerical posts had significantly decreased this year. The report also showed a declining interest in bank jobs, with increasingly fewer candidates registering for the recruitment/selection programmes. Earlier this year, on March 28-29, the All India Bank Employees' Association carried out a strike insisting that recruitment of workers be increased, among other demands.

The strike and the recent news reports together show that the problem of declining manpower has reached an inflection point. In fact, the cutback on hirings is more pronounced among clerks and sub-staff, while the number of officers has remained constant. This trend was observed in both PSBs and private sector banks (PVBs). However, it is worth noting that the number of officers in PVBs is three times higher than in the PSBs.

Reasons for decline in strength

Data show increased ATM usage, surging online and mobile transactions, and a reduction in the number of new bank branches have reduced footfalls in banks and led to the rapid decline in the strength of clerical staff.

Chart 1A shows the total staff in PSBs and PVBs. It brings out the contrast in recruitment patterns. While the staff in PVBs went up from over 92,000 in FY05 to 5.7 lakh in FY21, the corresponding numbers for PSBs have remained stagnant – 7.48 lakh in FY05 and 7.83 lakh in FY21.

Chart 1B shows the number of officers, clerks, and sub-staff working in each functioning office of a PSB. In FY06, each working office had 6.6 clerical staff on average, which more than halved to 3 in FY21. Similarly, the number of sub-staff per office reduced from 3.3 to 1.1 in the observed period.

Chart 1C also shows a similar declining trend among clerks and sub-staff in PVBs. However, it is important to note that there were considerably fewer clerks and sub-staff even in the earlier years in PVBs compared to their counterparts in PSBs.

Both Charts 1B and 1C show that the number of officers has remained mostly stagnant. Interestingly, in FY21 there were 14.7 officers for every functioning office of PVBs compared to just 4.3 per office in PSBs. Such a high officer ratio in PVBs meant the disparity between clerical and officer positions was much wider than in PSBs.

Chart 2A shows that the number of ATM withdrawals using debit cards in PSBs had more than doubled – from over 31 crore to 64 crore between 2012 and 2019. A similar but muted increase was recorded in PVBs. A sharp reduction in ATM withdrawals was observed in PSBs after the pandemic outbreak in 2020. Interestingly, the withdrawals did not reach the pre-pandemic levels even in the later years.

Chart 2B explains the reason behind this trend. It shows that both the volume and value of UPI transactions skyrocketed in the pandemic period. This, along with a similar surge in other online transactions, led to a sharp fall in ATM usage post-2020.

Chart 2C shows the number of new bank branches opened. In both PSBs and PVBs, this number declined rapidly post-2016.

The disruption of clerical recruitments due to the advent of machines and core banking solutions is here to stay. And so, it will be interesting to see the response of banks to the Finance Ministry's latest push for more hirings.

Man versus machine

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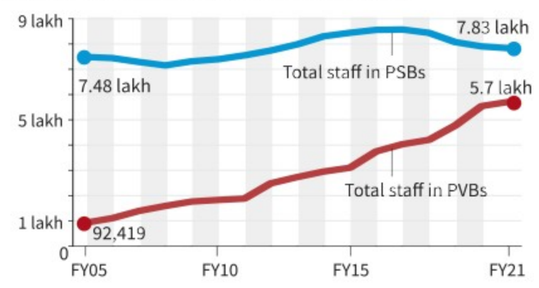

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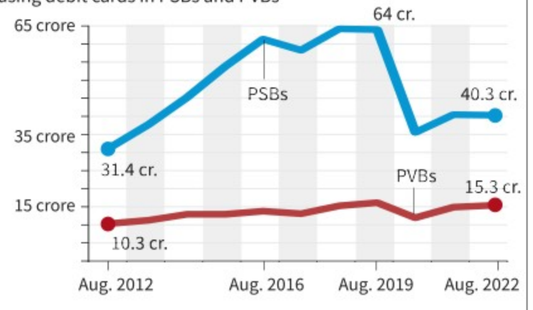

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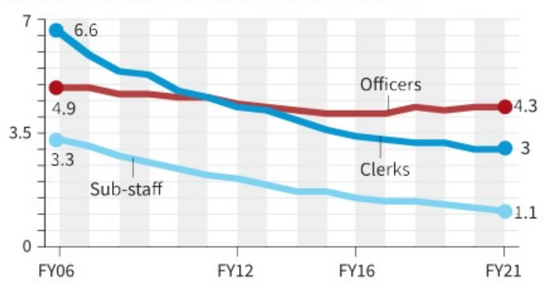

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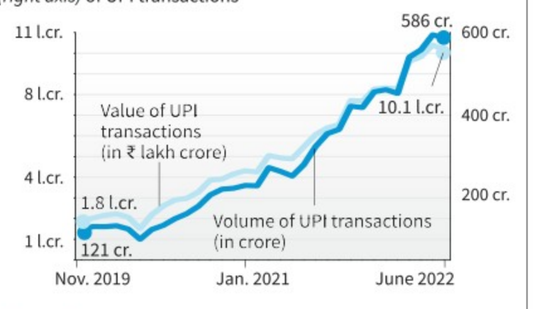

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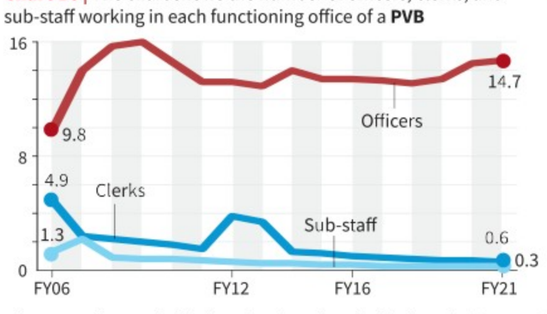
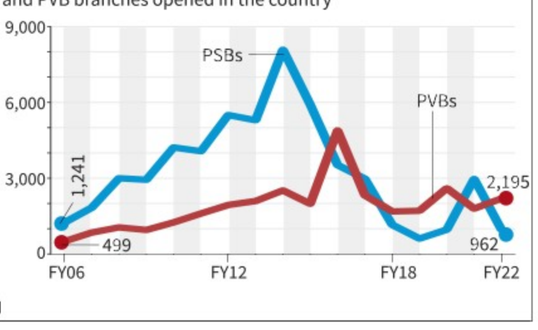


Chart 2C | The chart shows the number of new PSB branches and PVB branches opened in the country



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FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Hindu.

FIFTY YEARS AGO SEPTEMBER 29, 1972

No dramatic solutions to economic problems possible

New Delhi, Sept. 28: The Government's economic experts, who are striving hard to ease the present inflationary pressures, seem to be caught on the horns of a dilemma as to how they should tackle the difficult problems of prices, production and employment, without unwittingly worsening the situation by opting for either excessive caution in the name of conventional wisdom or romantic solutions for keeping up the facade of Congress radicalism at the cost of the country's development. As they grope in the dark for a sensible middle course that would help to preserve the ruling party's socialist image while meeting the practical requirements of this complex situation, the Prime Minister's advisers have apparently come to the lofty conclusion that no dramatic solutions are possible in the sense that by simply amending the economic policy resolution the Government cannot automatically provide a credible remedy for the current malaise which calls for imaginative action. The only way out of this perplexing situation, according to some of these experts, is to try for a general improvement in the performance of various sectors before the economy is able to gather momentum again. They want the political leadership to think more in terms of qualitatively better solutions to well-identified problems of economic growth and employment than wholly in the context of the party's electoral pledges to abolish poverty and usher in an era of socialism as early as possible.

A HUNDRED YEARS AGO FROM THE SEPT. 30 EDITION AS THERE WAS NO EDITION ON SEPT. 29, 1922

A public lecture

Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, who is on a tour in the south for collecting funds for the Viswabharathi, arrived at Madras yesterday morning by the Bangalore Mail, accompanied by Mr. C.F. Andrews, and was accorded a warm reception at the Central Station by a select number of gentlemen including Messrs. W.H. Hindle of the local Y.M.C.A., V. Chakkarai and T.S. Ramaswami Iyer. They then motored to Mylapore where they stay with Mr. T.S. Ramaswami Iyer. In the evening Dr. Tagore delivered a lecture at the Gokhale Hall on "The vision of Indian history".

From Page One

Centre bans PFI, 8 front bodies for five years

The State governments of Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka and Gujarat had recommended a ban on the PFI, the Ministry said. It added that if there was no immediate ban, the group would continue its subversive activities, disturbing public order and undermining the constitutional set-up of the country; encourage and enforce a terror-based regressive regime; continue to propagate anti-national sentiments and radicalise a particular section of society with the intention to create disaffection against the country and aggravate activities which are detrimental to the integrity, security and sovereignty of the country.

The ban comes close on the heels of country-wide searches when hundreds of members of the groups were arrested by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) and other agencies. The Ministry will now set up a tribunal under the UAPA to try the case where PFI could defend its case against the ban.

In a notification, the Ministry said some of the PFI's founding members were leaders of the Students Islamic Movement of India (SIMI) and had linkages with Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB), both of which are proscribed organisations. It said the group also had linkages to global terrorist organisations such as the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS) and participated in terror activities in Iraq, Syria and Afghanistan.

The PFI and its associates "operate openly as a socio-economic, educational and political organisation but, they have been pursuing a secret agenda to radicalise a particular section of society working towards undermining the concept of democracy and show sheer disrespect towards the constitutional authority of the country."

Sonia to meet Gehlot; Digvijaya eyes polls

Mr. Singh is expected to be in Delhi on Thursday. Mr. Singh has already sounded out the top leadership about his decision, but may wait for the outcome of the Sonia-Gehlot meeting for taking the final call, the source said.

The process for filing nominations for the election began on September 24, but no one has done so yet. Mr. Gehlot was slated to file his nomination on Wednesday and with his expected elevation, a meeting of the party's legislators was called in Jaipur to pick his successor. The party was thrown into turmoil when a large section of MLAs boycotted the meeting saying that they will not allow the Chief Minister to be picked from those who put the government at risk in July 2020, alluding to former Deputy Chief Minister Sachin Pilot.

Congress general secretary (organisation) K.C. Venugopal spoke out about the ongoing events and indicated that in a day or two, the crisis in Rajasthan would be resolved. Speaking from Kerala, he said, "There is no drama in Rajasthan. Everything will be clear in a day or two. The media may see this as a drama but at least you are discussing the Congress president election. You cannot discuss the presidential election of any other party in this country." He said the party was conducting the election in a "democratic manner".

Arriving in Delhi late on Wednesday evening, Mr. Gehlot told reporters that they worked in a disciplined way and would be "able to solve the internal politics within the family".

No action has been taken against Mr. Gehlot, but notices have been given to three of his loyalists demanding explanation for holding a parallel meeting while skipping the meeting of the Congress Legislature Party.

Temples, Buddhist caves revealed in M.P. tiger reserve

Sreeparna Chakrabarty
NEW DELHI

The ruins of temples at Bandhavgarh Reserve in Madhya Pradesh.

The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) earlier this year discovered Buddhist caves and stupas, and Brahmi inscriptions, dating back to the 2nd century, and Hindu temples from the 9th-11th centuries, and possibly the world's largest Varaha sculpture also dating to the same period, at the Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh.

The Varaha sculpture is among the many monolithic sculptures of the 10 incarnations of Lord Vishnu discovered by the ASI at the national park earlier this year. The exploration took place 84 years after the last such effort in 1938.

"A total of 46 sculptures have come to light and have been reported," Shivakant Bajpai, Superintending Archaeologist, Jabalpur Circle, who led the exploration team, said here on Wednesday.

The ASI team discovered 26 mostly Buddhist caves dating back to the 2nd and 5th centuries. The caves and some of their remains had *Chaitya* [rounded] doors and stone beds typical of Mahayana Buddhism sites. This discovery brings the total number of caves found in Bandhavgarh to 76, as 50 are already in the records since the last survey.

Eastern Command's ex-chief Anil Chauhan is Chief of Defence Staff

New CDS will have the task of taking forward the reorganisation of the armed forces into integrated theatre commands as well as building consensus, synergy and efficiency

Dinakar Peri
NEW DELHI

Lt. General Anil Chauhan (retd.) shall also function as the Secretary to Government of India, Department of Military Affairs. FILE PHOTO

The government on Tuesday appointed Lt. Gen. Anil Chauhan (retd.), former General Office Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Army Commander, as the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS). The post has been vacant since the death of the country's first CDS, Gen. Bipin Rawat, in a helicopter crash in December 2021.

"The Government has decided to appoint Lt. General Anil Chauhan (retired) as the next Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) who shall also function as the Secretary to Government of India, Department of Military Affairs with effect from the date of his assumption of charge and until further orders," the Defence Ministry said in a statement.

In a career spanning nearly 40 years, Lt. Gen Anil Chauhan had held several command, staff and instrumental appointments and had extensive experience in counter-insurgency operations in Jammu and Kashmir and Northeast India, the statement said.

In June, the government amended the Service Rules of the Army, Navy and Air Force allowing retired Service Chiefs and three-star rank officers eligible for consideration for the country's top military post. However, with an age limit of 62 years on the date of appointment, retired Service Chiefs were largely ruled out especially so for the present consideration.

Post-retirement, Lt. Gen. Chauhan took over as the Military Adviser in the National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS) from Lt. Gen. Vinod G. Khandare who stepped down from the post in October 2021.

In December 2019, the government approved the creation of the post of CDS who would also function as the Principal Military Adviser to the Defence Minister and Permanent Chairman Chiefs of Staff Committee (COSC). In addition, the DMA was created as the fifth department in the Ministry of Defence (MoD) with the CDS functioning as its Secretary.

Major task ahead

Gen. Rawat was pushing forward the ambitious plan for the reorganisation of the armed forces into integrated theatre commands among other measures to bring in synergy and efficiency.

This task now falls on the new CDS to build consensus and take the reorganisation process forward, which has been delayed due to a lack of complete consensus and objections on certain aspects from the Air Force.

SC criticises Centre's failure to settle mercy petition of Rajoana

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

SC gave the Centre time till Friday to file an affidavit detailing the progress made on the mercy plea

The Supreme Court on Wednesday criticised the delay on the part of the government to decide a mercy petition filed by Balwant Singh Rajoana, who has been on death row for nearly 27 years for the assassination of former Punjab Chief Minister Beant Singh.

A Bench led by Chief Justice of India U.U. Lalit noted that even the top court's order on May 2 directing the government to take a call in the next two months seemed to have gone unheeded.

Rajoana's plea for Presidential mercy has been hanging in limbo despite the government having decided in 2019 to spare his life in commemoration of the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev.

In his petition, he said his repeated pleas to the government were met with silence. He called the delay "inexplicable". He had filed the mercy petition in 2012.

"The time of two months granted on May 2 has expired long back. However, as submitted by Additional Solicitor General K.M. Nataraj, a decision has not been taken by the authorities concerned," Chief Justice Lalit recorded in the order.

The Court gave the Centre time till Friday to file an affidavit detailing the progress made on the mercy plea.

In a hearing in 2021, Solicitor General Tushar Mehta had specifically drawn the Court's attention to the gravity of the facts in the case while highlighting that Rajoana was "accused of the killing of a former Chief Minister". He said there were charges of involvement of Khalistani elements in the crime. He had said that appeals of other co-accused were pending in the apex court.

The court had said the law was settled that once the government decided to recommend Presidential pardon for a man, the pendency of appeals in the Supreme Court of his co-accused cannot delay the process initiated under Article 72 (Presidential pardon) of the Constitution.

R. Venkataramani

Venkataramani appointed next A-G, says Law Ministry

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

Senior advocate R. Venkataramani has been appointed the new Attorney-General (A-G) by President Droupadi Murmu for a period of three years, the Law Ministry announced on Wednesday.

Mr. Venkataramani will succeed K.K. Venugopal, whose term comes to an end on September 30.

With over four decades of practice at the Supreme Court, Mr. Venkataramani has specialised in various branches.

U.P. issues timetable for madrasas, day to start with National Anthem

The Hindu Bureau
LUCKNOW

Ensuring basic needs: The Minority Welfare Department says that through the survey, the government wanted to check whether basic facilities were being provided to students in madrasas. FILE PHOTO

Amid the ongoing survey of madrasas in Uttar Pradesh, the State Madrasa Education Board has issued a new timetable for the aided and recognised madrasas in which educational activities will start with the National Anthem and prayers. The educational work in these madrasas will be held from 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. Previously, the working hours were between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Just a few months ago, the board has made it compulsory for teachers and students to recite the National Anthem before the start of the class.

"Aided/recognised madrasas timetable is changed to 9 a.m.-3 p.m., in the first sitting, at 9 a.m., prayer [*dua*] and National Anthem will take place. The teaching will start from 9.20 a.m. till 12 noon. The second sitting will start at 12.30 p.m. till 3 p.m. All aided/recognised madrasas should follow the mentioned timetable," reads the order issued by Jagmohan Singh, Registrar, Uttar Pradesh Madrasa Education Board.

The madrasa system in the State is making headlines since the announcement of the survey – to identify unrecognised ones – which started on September 10 across all 78 districts. Teams formed in the districts have to submit the report to District Magistrates within 25 days who will forward the report to the State government by October 25.

War of words erupted over the survey with the Opposition parties, including the SP and the BSP targeting the government. The Minority Welfare department had argued that the government wanted to check whether basic facilities were being provided to students in madrasas and how they could be brought into the mainstream.

Read the background on madrasa case in U.P.
bit.ly/upmadrasa

Satish Verma case: SC not to intervene in HC order

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Wednesday decided not to intervene against a Delhi High Court order refusing to stay the government's dismissal of Satish Chandra Verma, a senior IPS officer who assisted the CBI probe into the Ishrat Jahan "fake" encounter case. The dismissal order came a month before his scheduled retirement on September 30, 2022.

A Bench led by Justice K.M. Joseph, however, modified the High Court order to facilitate the early disposal of his case. The Supreme Court directed the case to be taken up on November 22 in the Delhi High Court.

The Bench made it clear that it did not want to express anything on the merits of Mr. Verma's case or the contentions of the government for justifying his dismissal.

Centre gives 4% hike in DA to employees ahead of Deepavali

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Ahead of Deepavali, the Union Cabinet on Wednesday increased the dearness allowance (DA) and dearness relief (DR) by 4% effective July 1, 2022, benefiting 41.85 lakh Central government employees and 69.76 lakh pensioners.

The additional instalment of DA and DR is an increase of 4% over the existing rate of 34% of basic pay/pension.

The combined impact on the exchequer on account of both DA and DR would be ₹12,852.5 crore per annum, said Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur while briefing reporters about the decisions of the Union Cabinet.

The increase in the DA and DR is based on the rise in percentage in 12 monthly average of All India Consumer Price Index for the period ending June, 2022.

The impact of enhanced dearness allowance to the employees on the exchequer is estimated at ₹6,591.36 crore per annum and ₹4,394.24 crore in 2022-23 (eight months from July 2022 to February 2023). In case of dearness relief, the impact would be ₹6,261.20 crore per annum and ₹4,174.12 crore in the current fiscal.

Bench to check if greater curbs can be imposed on Ministers' speeches

Krishnadas Rajagopal
NEW DELHI

To frame general guidelines in "thin air" to restrict Government Ministers, MPs, MLAs or public leaders, including political party presidents, from making unguarded, derogatory and hurtful statements in public may prove "difficult", a Constitution Bench *prima facie* said on Wednesday.

The oral observation came from a Constitution Bench led by Justice S. Abdul Nazeer while hearing a reference on the question whether the right to free speech and expression of high public functionaries require "greater restrictions".

> Is it right to impose a further law on free speech over and above the restrictions already imposed under Article 19(2)?
>
> **JUSTICE B.V. NAGARATHNA**
> Judge of Supreme Court of India

Justice B.V. Nagarathna said "reasonable restrictions" on the right to free speech under Article 19(1)(a) were already there under Article 19(2) of the Constitution. The judge asked whether it was right on the part of the court to impose a further law on free speech over and above the restrictions already imposed under Article 19(2). There are other remedies already available like civil/criminal injunctions, torts, general laws, etc.

Advocate Kaleeswaram Raj, for petitioner Joseph Shine who has moved against comments made by Kerala Minister M.M. Mani, agreed that such a judicially-imposed restriction over and above Article 19(2) may not be impermissible.

"But when there are horizontal and repeated violations by a public functionary, what can be done?" he asked. Mr. Raj said foreign jurisdictions practice "self-regulation" guidelines for public functionaries, conscious of the fact that their words have a far greater impact than that of an ordinary person. India could borrow that model and set guidelines on how "a public functionary should behave publicly", he suggested.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta accepted that a public functionary should be more guarded in speech than an ordinary person.

The court decided to examine the question on November 15.

Over 1,400 cases against PFI leaders and activists

The outfit has a 'secret wing' which planned and executed 'revenge attacks', say agencies; several leaders, members were previously affiliated to the banned Students' Islamic Movement of India

Devesh K. Pandey
NEW DELHI

More than 1,400 criminal cases have been registered against leaders and activists of the now-proscribed Popular Front of India (PFI) and its affiliates across the country over the years, according to investigating agencies.

As alleged, several PFI leaders and members were previously affiliated to the Students' Islamic Movement of India (SIMI), which was banned in 2001. "The predecessor of PFI in Kerala, National Development Fund, was established by former SIMI leaders," said a senior agency official.

The PFI had a well-structured organisational set-up at the national, State and local levels, with a 13-member national executive council headed by its chairman as the supreme decision-making body. Its national general assembly had representatives from each State. The outfit had a "secret wing" which planned and executed "revenge attacks", it is alleged.

According to the agencies, most of those accused of hacking to death Praveen Nettaru, a member of the Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha, in Karnataka's Bellare on July 26 were affiliated to the PFI.

"Over the years, the PFI members have been involved in such violent crimes. In July 2010, the hand of a professor, T.J. Joseph, was chopped off. Then, there was an active involvement of the PFI and Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI) cadres in the 2020 Bengaluru riots. The NIA investigated two related cases and among the charge-sheeted, 47 belonged to the PFI/SDPI," said the official.

In June 2021, explosives were seized from the Padam forest area in Kerala. It was allegedly a PFI training site. "On February 16, 2021, the U.P. Special Task Force (STF) had arrested the national coordinator of PFI's physical education division with explosives with detonators ... in April 2013, the Kerala Police had seized arms and explosive materials from a camp in Narath. The NIA later took over the Narath case, in which 21 accused were convicted in 2016," he said.

The PFI activists allegedly took part in the anti-Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) protests during December 2019-March 2020. In Uttar Pradesh, 51 cases were registered to probe violent agitations against the Act. "The PFI-led Samvidhan Suraksha Andolan was among the prominent common platforms which coordinated the agitations. Also, the PFI's role in the Delhi riots was investigated by the ED," the official said, adding that the Hijab issue in Karnataka had also been blown out of proportion by its students' wing, Campus Front of India. Besides, several persons allegedly affiliated to the PFI, particularly from Kerala, had joined the IS and indulged in terror activities in Syria, Iraq and Afghanistan.

The agencies allege that the PFI's funding source was also dubious. During the investigation, the Income Tax Department found that deposits with respect to 36 of the 85 bank accounts of the PFI were not supported by the respective financial profile of account holders.

Under lens

Brief profiles of some PFI leaders who were arrested during nationwide raids earlier this month

■ E.M. Abdul Rahiman (national vice-chairman)

In the mid-1970s when the now-proscribed SIMI was formed, Rahiman, a former librarian, joined the new outfit and later became its all-India president. In the 1990s, under him, the National Development Front was set up. In 2007, when the PFI was floated at a Bengaluru convention, he became the founder and shadow chief of the organisation

■ Anis Ahmed (national general secretary)

As a student in Bengaluru, Ahmed joined the Karnataka Forum for Dignity, a precursor to the PFI in the State. He played a major role when the PFI expanded its activities in cyberspace. He took regular motivation classes in the outfit, was active on social media, and commented on current affairs and Central government's policies

■ P. Koya (national executive council member)

He was a SIMI member during 1978-79. Koya was elected a director of the Islamic Youth Centre in 1980. In 1986, he went to Qatar to work in a private firm. In 1989, he returned and joined as a lecturer in Kozhikode. He played a key role in the formation of the NDF along with former SIMI activists like K.M. Ashraf and Abubacker

Watch the video
What is the Popular Front of India and why has it been controversial?
trib.al/CyM8NBT

SDPI escapes govt. action, says it is an independent and secular organisation

Vijaita Singh
Damini Nath
NEW DELHI

The Union Home Ministry on Wednesday banned the Popular Front of India (PFI) and its associates for five years, but the Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI), known as the PFI's political arm, has escaped the ban. An SDPI functionary said it was an independent organisation and not connected to the PFI.

A senior government official said since the SDPI was a recognised political party, any action would have to be initiated by the Election Commission (EC). The Home Ministry did not respond to calls from *The Hindu*.

The SDPI was formed on June 21, 2009 in Delhi. It was registered with the EC on April 13, 2010. In contrast, the PFI and its associate organisations are registered under the Societies of Registration Act, 1860.

Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar and Election Commissioner Anup Chandra Pandey did not respond to requests for comment.

A senior EC official said action would have been taken against the SDPI had it been named as an affiliate of the PFI, but it wasn't named as on Wednesday, making it unlikely to face any action at the moment.

Though the SDPI has distanced itself from the PFI, it issued a statement on Wednesday condemning the ban.

The party said in a statement that the "decision of the Union BJP government banning PFI and its associate organisations is a direct blow on democracy and the rights of people enshrined in Indian Constitution".

SDPI's national general secretary Elyas Thumbe told *The Hindu* that the statement was issued as the Ministry's action was undemocratic and the PFI was an organisation that worked to uplift and empower minorities.

He said the SDPI was a "secular organisation as it has members from all communities" and so far the party had not received any query from the ECI or any probe agency.

Up in arms: SDPI activists taking part in a protest march at Palakkad in Kerala, in this file photo. K.K. MUSTAFAH

A 'silent killer', says Fadnavis

The Hindu Bureau
PUNE

Dubbing the PFI "a silent killer", Maharashtra Home Minister and Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis said on Wednesday that the State government would take steps to completely shut down the PFI and six affiliate organisations in Maharashtra in the coming months.

Ban RSS first, says Lalu

Press Trust of India
PATNA

RJD chief Lalu Prasad on Wednesday called the RSS a "Hindu extremist organisation" that deserved to be banned. "They keep raising the bogey of PFI. It is the RSS, which is all about Hindu extremism (*kattarpanth*), that deserves to be banned first," said the septuagenarian.

Undeclared Emergency in India, says SDPI leader

S. Anandan
KOCHI

The Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI), regarded as the political arm of the Popular Front of India (PFI), will organise widespread campaigns to make people aware of the Emergency-like political situation prevailing in the country, its national president, M.K. Faizy, said.

Talking to *The Hindu* over telephone, Mr. Faizy said the country was facing a "dire situation" with no free expression possible, nor the freedom to work within the Constitution.

While the PFI, in which he was an ordinary member, was an exclusive Muslim organisation, the SDPI was a registered, secular, cadre-based political party featuring people from various communities, he said. "The way forward for the SDPI will be to work among the people as there's no ban on it. The party, which has a laid-down secular ideology and works for the Muslims, Dalits and other backward sections, has an identity independent of the PFI. It will continue to expand its presence across the country," Mr. Faizy said.

He refused to answer queries on the numerical strength of the party cadre and the share of non-Muslims in it. He accused the Centre of misusing investigative agencies and the laws to silence opposition and to scare people from expressing dissent.

Jamaat terms ban selective, Jamiat maintains silence

Ziya Us Salam
NEW DELHI

The countrywide ban on the Popular Front of India (PFI) and the arrest of its top leaders has divided the leading Muslim organisations.

While the Jamiat Ulama-e-Hind has maintained silence on the issue, insisting it has "nothing to do with PFI", the Jamaat-e-Islami Hind has asked the government to revoke the ban, calling it "selective, discriminatory and biased".

A Jamiat spokesman steered clear of the ban on the PFI, holding, "We are neither with them nor against them. We would not like to say more. Let the law take its course."

Navaid Hamid, president of the Majlis-e-Mushawarrat, called the raids and arrests "deplorable". "It shows the government's desperation to divert contry's attention from real issues. All should condemn it in one voice. Hope the organisation will get justice from courts," Mr. Hamid said.

The viewpoint was reiterated by the Jamaat-e-Islami. "Banning an organisation is neither a solution nor does it suit a democratic society. The culture of banning the organisations is in itself a clear violation of the fundamental rights protected by the Constitution and goes against the democratic spirit and basic civil liberties," Syed Sadatullah Hussaini, the Jamaat's president told the media.

Mr. Hussaini said the Jamaat too had its differences with the PFI over many issues. "We have also opposed them on several counts but that is not the reason to ban an organisation and harass its cadre. It is the duty of the police and administration to maintain law and order in the country. If any individual breaks the law or commits any crime the individual can be prosecuted and dealt as per the provisions of law."

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TENDER NOTICE

❖Horizontal drilling work at Pandarathu Limestome Mines of Malabar Cements Ltd., Kerala.❖Appointment of C & F agent for Kayamkulam, Aleppey.❖Appointment of C & F agent for Ollur, Thrissur.❖Appointment of C & F agent for Alathur, Palakkad.❖Undertaking the Contract work of Silo Extraction, Packing and Loading of Cement into trucks, tarpaulin covering and tying and Unloading / Loading of Raw Materials, Stores and spares etc, shifting and stamping of packing materials at CGU, Cherthala.❖Exploratory Core Drilling Work at Pandarathu Limestone Mines of Malabar Cements Ltd, Kerala.❖Collection and Transportation of Dry Flyash from NLC TamilNadu Power Limited, Tuticorin, TamilNadu State to Malabar Cements Ltd, Walayar, Kerala/ MCL CGU, Pallipuram, Cherthala, Alappuzha.❖Collection and Transportation of 40,000 MT Fly Ash from Neyveli Lignite Corporation India Limited (NLC), Neyveli, Cuddalore District, Tamilnadu state to Malabar Cements Ltd., Walayar, Palakkad, Kerala/ MCL Cement Grinding Unit, Pallipuram, Cherthala, Alappuzha❖Supply of Automatic Bag Printing Machine❖Supply of OTR Tyres Tubeless 1800 x 25.❖Disposal of Scrap Thro 'MSTC' – 1.❖Disposal of Old Vehicles Honda City. Please visit mstcecommerce.com.

Sd/- MANAGING DIRECTOR

CENTRAL SANSKRIT UNIVERSITY
56-57, Institutional Area, Janakpuri, New Delhi - 110058
INVITING ONLINE APPLICATIONS FOR ONLINE INTERVIEW
Online applications are invited from eligible candidates for Online Interview for engagement of Contract/Guest Faculties in different campuses of Central Sanskrit University, Delhi in various subjects as per requirement for the academic session 2022-2023. For detailed notification regarding number of positions, submission of application, schedule, eligibility conditions, etc., please visit University website **www.sanskrit.nic.in**
REGISTRAR

Office of the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.
AMENDMENT
In view of urgency T.O. **T.No.CE(AM)/AP/GNT/Ep/21/2022-23, Dated : 27-9-2022,** the tenders for weigh bridges, Tarpauline sheets and e-NAM Wireless services may be considered as SHORT TENDERS.
Chief Engineer(AM),
O/o Commissioner and Director of Agrl.Marketing, Govt.of A.P, Guntur.

RajCOMP Info Services Limited (RISL)
C-Block, 1st Floor, Yojana Bhawan, Tilak Marg, C-Scheme, Jaipur
RISL invites ebids from the eligible bidders for the following:

NIB No./ Date/ Unique bid no.	Particulars	Estimated Cost/ EMD	Start of sale/ Last date
4297/22.09.2022 (RIS2223SLOB00060)	Rate Contract for the Development of Mobile Applications & FMS of Existing Mobile Applications on IBM Mobile First Platform.	Package-1 : Rs.2.10 Cr Package-2 : Rs.7.70 Cr EMD Package-1 : 4,95,600/- Package-1 : 18,17,200/-	22.09.2022 17.10.2022

Details can be seen on the websites **http://risl.rajasthan.gov.in**, **http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in & http://doitc.rajasthan.gov.in**. Bids are to be submitted through **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in**.
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CIN : U40109WB2007SGC113473, www.wbsedcl.in
WBSEDCL

NIT No.: IT&C/6.10/556 Date: 21.09.2022

The Chief Engineer, IT&C Cell, Vidyut Bhavan, 3rd Floor, 'D' Block, Block – DJ, Sector – II, Bidhannagar, Kolkata – 700091 invites e-tender for *'Annual Maintenance Contract of CISCO Routers installed at different site offices under WBSEDCL'*. Tenders are to be submitted online through the website **https://wbtenders.gov.in**. The details of the NIT will be available on **https://wbtenders.gov.in** & **www.wbsedcl.in** from **29.09.2022** (at **14:00** hrs.).
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Eligible candidates are invited for Walk-in-Interview for engagement of Consultant Engineer (Civil) at the level of Executive Engineer and Consultant Engineers (Civil and Electrical) at the level of Assistant Engineers on purely temporary and contract basis. For detailed notification regarding number of positions, schedule, eligibility conditions etc., please visit the University website **www.sanskrit.nic.in**
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Telangana State Medical Services & Infrastructure Development Corporation,
Director of Health Campus, Sultan Bazar, Hyderabad-95, Telangana State.

Tender Notice No.6 /2022/Medicine/MW/TSMSIDC, Dt. 27.09.2022
Tender Notice No.7 /2022/NCD/MW/TSMSIDC, Dt. 27.09.2022
Tender Notice No.8 /2022/DIG/TSMSIDC, Dt. 27.09.2022
Tender Notice No.9 /2022/EQU/TSMSIDC, Dt. 27.09.2022

Above mentioned tenders are invited through e-procurement platform (online) for Procurement and supply of following under Rate contract: T.No.6:-Medicines, T.No.7 NCD Medicine Kit Bags/ Drug Kit Bags, T.No.8 Diagnostic Kits & Reagents and T.No.9, Equipments. Managing Director, TSMSIDC reserves the right to cancel the tender at any time without assigning any reason. For complete details, please visit Web site: **https://tender.telangana.gov.in from 01.10.2022** onwards.
Sd/-
Managing Director
DIPR RO.No: 741-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2022-23

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Sd/- DIRECTOR, SRFMTTI, ANANTAPUR.

TAMIL NADU TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LTD
Notice Inviting Tenders (E-Tendering Process)

S.No	Tender Inviting Authority	Specification No	Total
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For details of works/Procurement/Due date of submission/opening,viewing and downloading of e-tenders, please visit website **www.tantransco.gov.in, www.tenders.tn.gov.in, www.tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app, www.mstcecommerce.com/eprochome/tneb**
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KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
(RAICHUR THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

No.:KPCL/2022-23/PS/WORK_INDENT 12855/Call-2, Date: 26.09.2022
BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Two Cover System) (Through e-procurement Portal Only)
Tenders are invited through GoK e-procurement Website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from the contractors/agencies who are reputed individuals/ Company and having past experience for the work of **"Design, Manufacture, Supply, Erection, Commissioning and Testing of Dust Suppression System With High Pressure Mist at MRHS Silo of Units - 1 & 2"** at RTPS. EMD: **Rs. 16,800/-.** Last date for queries/clarification: **08.10.2022,16:00Hrs.** Last date for submission of completed bids(2 Parts): **11.10.2022, 16:00Hrs.** Opening of Technical Bid(Part 1): **13.10.2022, 16:30Hrs.** Opening of Price Bid(Part 2): **15.10.2022, 11:30Hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the **Superintending Engineer(Mechanical Maintenance-1), RTPS, KPCL, Shaktinagar - 584170, Raichur District, Karnataka State.** Mobile No.: **82775 02820.**

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Short E-tender No. TNCSC/22-23/ ET-32

Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation invites Online electronic tender for the "purchase of 20,000 Metric Tonnes of any one of dal namely Tur dal (Split – Husked & Fatka)/ Lentil locally known as Canadian Yellow Lentil (Split– Husked & Laired No.2)/ Lentil locally known as Canadian Yellow Lentil (Whole – Husked & Laired No.2) as per Agmark specification"
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For Registration and further details contact **MSTC LIMITED, Phone: 25222842/ 25251910/ 25261005** e-Mail: **mstcsro@mstcindia.co.in**
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INBRIEF

Cabinet nod for proposal to redevelop 3 railway stations

The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the Indian Railways' ₹10,000-crore proposal for redevelopment of three major stations – New Delhi, Ahmedabad and Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (in photo). With the redevelopment, expected to be completed in 2.5 to 3.5 years, passengers will be able to enjoy facilities such as food court, waiting lounge, playing area for children, place to shop local products, proper illumination and lifts/escalators/travelators.

Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said a master plan had been prepared for the smooth movement of traffic with adequate parking facilities.

District Magistrates told to expedite adoption orders

The country's apex body for adoptions, Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA), has written to District Magistrates (DM) to expeditiously dispose of cases and issue adoption orders, particularly where the matter has been transferred from courts. "The amount of court backlog varies, in some instances, hearings have concluded, in others they have not. Although two months is the maximum allowed time for the DM to issue an adoption order, the DMs have the authority to conclude the case during the first hearing itself and to issue adoption orders as expeditiously as possible, particularly the transferred cases," said a letter from Tripti Guha, Joint Secretary of the Ministry of Women and Child Development and CEO of CARA.

Lata Mangeshkar chowk inaugurated in Ayodhya

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday said that the construction of the Ram temple in Ayodhya is progressing fast and its pictures are bringing excitement to the whole country. In a video message on the occasion of the inauguration of the Lata Mangeshkar Chowk in the city of Ayodhya on the late singer's 93rd birth anniversary, Mr. Modi said the *chowk* would remind Indians of "our responsibility to stay connected to the roots of India while India moves towards modernity, and take the art and culture of the country to every corner of the world. The *chowk* will inspire the art world with its spectacular veena and 92 lotuses made of marble, depicting her life journey"

A.K. Antony cross-examined in Tatra truck corruption case

Former Defence Minister A.K. Antony was cross-examined as a prosecution witness on Wednesday in New Delhi, in the corruption case related to the procurement of Tatra trucks. Senior advocate Pramod Kumar Dubey and advocate Anurag Andley conducted the cross-examination during which Mr. Antony said that no official complaint regarding the incident was made either to him or to the Ministry. The CBI had registered a case in the matter.

Growers see red as 5,000 apple trucks caught in jam on Srinagar highway

They see a deliberate act by J&K administration to benefit cold storage companies; farmers' federation writes to Lieutenant-Governor complaining of huge losses to those in the Valley

A.M. Jigeesh
NEW DELHI

Gone to waste: A worker displaying rotten apples, unloaded from a truck, at a wholesale fruit market in Jammu on Wednesday. PTI

Unregulated traffic along the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway has resulted in huge losses for apple farmers in the Valley, says a complaint by the Apple Farmers' Federation of India (AFFI) to Lieutenant-Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Manoj Sinha. Nearly 5,000 trucks with apples headed to various markets in the country are stuck in the highway, and farmers fear that it could add not just to their losses but will also affect small and medium traders.

Abdul Rashid, AFFI leader from Jammu and Kashmir, told *The Hindu* that each truck carried 1,200 boxes with 20 kg each of apple, or about 20 tonnes. A total of 5,000 such trucks are stuck in the highway in about 300 kilometres, Mr. Rashid said.

The administration has told the farmers that the traffic restrictions are because of the highway construction work.

"The administration transferred a senior police officer after our complaint. But they are not regulating the traffic. If all trucks reach at the same time in one market, the price of apple will fall. Now, apple is perishing in markets in Kashmir, trucks and at the orchards," he said.

The AFFI estimated the loss in the Sopore apple market at about ₹500 crore in the past few days. "As a result, farmers are losing at least ₹300 to ₹400 per box of apple. Transporters are also facing a crisis. Four lakh families of the State is dependent on apples. Trucks are not able to reach the Valley's markets because of the traffic problem. We met Mr. Sinha. He said he will take steps, but traffic is not yet regulated," he said.

The AFFI, in a statement, demanded the Centre to ensure that the price the farmers got did not go below ₹60 a kg. It said the Kashmir administration was facilitating the designs of large agri-business corporate houses to create an artificial shortage in the fruit market across the country, raise prices in the consumer market, and reap windfall profit while depressing the procurement price during the harvesting season, and thus looting the apple growers.

The AFFI said the highway blockage was connected with the high costs of utilising controlled atmosphere (CA) storage, whereby small growers are unable to store their produce and sell it when circumstances are favourable.

"We see a deliberate act by the administration to benefit CA companies which rent out their spaces to agribusinesses which can easily bear the high costs associated with cold storage. In this way, apple growers are being pushed away from marketing their own produce," it added.

Jaishankar, U.S. NSA discuss strategic ties and Ukraine war

Sriram Lakshman
WASHINGTON DC

S. Jaishankar (right) and Jack Sullivan.

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and White House National Security Advisor (NSA) Jack Sullivan met on Wednesday and discussed issues related to U.S.-India strategic partnership, the Ukraine war and a free and open Indo-Pacific.

The White House said the meeting comprised a review of the strategic relationship and an exchange of views of regional and global priorities. Mr. Jaishankar specifically mentioned that "the Indo-Pacific situation, South Asia and the Gulf" were discussed. Their meeting also included a discussion of Russia's invasion of Ukraine and its impact on food and energy insecurity, according to the White House and a tweet from Mr. Jaishankar.

In the context of the forthcoming G20 Indian presidency, Mr. Jaishankar and Mr. Sullivan discussed approaches to debt sustainability and promoting "a free, open, secure, and prosperous Indo-Pacific", according to the White House. The Minister is also meeting industry bodies and advocacy groups on his visit.

On Tuesday, he participated in a roundtable with executives organised by the U.S. India Business Council, and on Wednesday, he is scheduled to meet with the U.S.-India Strategic Partnership Forum. Neither event was open to the press.

The Minister met U.S. Democrat lawmakers on Tuesday at India House, the Indian Ambassador's official residence. These meetings were not accessible to the press but Mr. Jaishankar's Twitter handle suggested he had met with Representative Ami Bera, Senator Jon Ossoff , Senator Mark Warner, Senator Chris Coons and Representative Jerry McNerney. Press access to Indian media organisations for some of the events in the Washington DC leg of Mr. Jaishankar's visit was uneven or precluded. At a joint press conference with U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken on Tuesday, the government had allocated both question slots available to the Indian press corps to Indian news agencies. The allocation of the two slots on the U.S. side, however, was decided by resident correspondents at the State Department themselves.

Mr. Jaishankar's visit to Washington concludes on Wednesday.

SC to hear on Oct. 12 pleas challenging demonetisation

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

A Constitution Bench, tasked with examining the validity of an Ordinance promulgated to legalise the demonetisation exercise retrospectively and look into human problems which accompanied its implementation, asked on Wednesday if "anything survives at all" in the issue in 2022.

"In those days, it was relevant. Does it survive now?" Justice S. Abdul Nazeer, who headed the five-judge Bench, asked.

Solicitor-General Tushar Mehta, for the government, said the case did not survive for "all practical purposes". What is left is merely an "academic exercise" of examining the law.

Justice B.V. Nagarathna, putting the issue in perspective, said the Constitution Bench was asked to examine two aspects – the validity of the action [demonetisation] and problems surrounding its implementation.

Justice Nazeer said the case would be taken up on October 12 and pleas would be heard then.

Border situation moving towards being 'normalised': Chinese envoy

Suhasini Haidar
NEW DELHI

Sun Weidong

The situation at the Line of Actual Control is moving towards being "normalised", the Chinese Ambassador to India Sun Weidong said on Wednesday in a speech marking the 73rd anniversary of the People's Republic of China. He called for India and China to work more closely together to resolve differences.

"The current border situation is overall stable," Mr. Sun said in the virtual address, the text of which was released by the Chinese embassy on Wednesday. "The phase of emergency response since the Galwan Valley incident has basically come to an end, and the border situation is now switching to normalised management and control," he added. His remarks were at some variance with comments last week of Army chief General Manoj Pande, who said there were still more friction points, a reference to Demchok and Depsang, at the LAC where disengagement was necessary before the two sides could "look at the next step of de-escalation", requiring the pull-back of troops and tanks.

Mr. Sun went on to say that China was prepared to seek a solution to the LAC situation through further dialogue and consultation, but that he hoped India would address China's "core interests" that included the Taiwan question and Xizang (Tibet) related issues.

He called for more economic ties, and in a veiled reference to I-T and ED raids on Chinese companies, said he hoped the "Indian side can provide an open, inclusive, fair and non-discriminatory business environment for Chinese enterprises." "We believe that only when the roti is bigger, can it be shared with more people. Only when the plate is bigger, can it hold more rice. We should joint hands to bake a bigger roti and make a bigger plate, to let more people benefit from it, rather than make the roti smaller or break the plate," Mr. Sun said.

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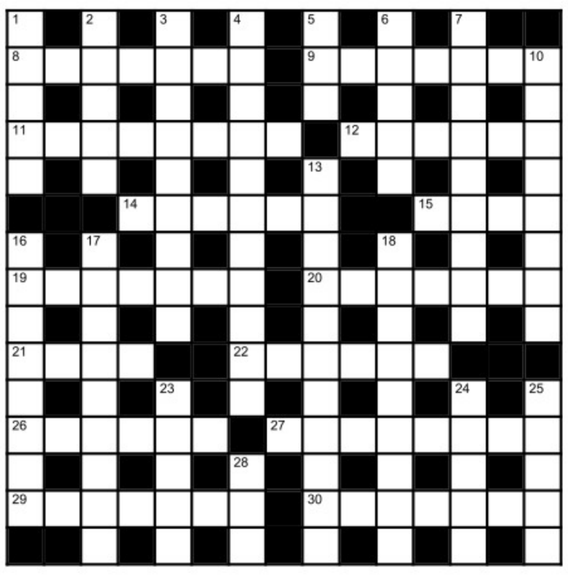

Across

8 Standard gap mostly in middle of the buttocks (7)
9 General having a smoke in bushy spot (6)
11 Trace Spooner's cabbage carrier (8)
12 Seed of some retrograde Pashtun laws (6)
14 Father left mother? Right about the point where fate and life collide? (6)
15 Region in far east (4)
19 Instrument central to health or nutrition (7)
20 No rise during early stages (7)
21 One wanting fruit salad or grass (4)
22 Right kind of stone to take support (4,2)
26 Rules: No sex-drug combo burns again! (6)
27 Regular celebrity stuffs and details basically (8)
29 Was dirty black couch cleaned with a mop? (7)
30 I reportedly dance for a seer (7)

Down

1 Cold prince's revolting atrocity (5)
2 'Unwell' father, emerges 'lively' (5)
3 Elbow jutting loner can work around nothing (9)
4 Peer cribs about slightest sensation? Yes, at first (11)
5 Many expressing love for travel (3)
6 Party hard! Something like a Cockatoo! (5)
7 Hide works, essays about Princess Royal (9)
10 Rent troubles workers and apprentices (8)
13 Spooner to dispatch one who betrays or one who starts a fashion (11)
16 Quietly sent art forms or designs (8)
17 Giant ramp built for a bird (9)
18 Taken by surprise! A road built but not opened (9)
23 Pre-Buddhist Tibetan priests - retrogressive society elitists (4)
24 Tribute to God of Shepherds guarding Vedas regularly (5)
25 A model bagging mostly boring porn (5)
28 Did it regularly get used as pesticide? (3)

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Solution to yesterday's Sudoku

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FAITH

Bhagavata bhakti

The fight between Indra and Vritrasura is described in the Bhagavata Purana in detail. From this depiction, Vritrasura emerges as one who exemplifies the nuances of Bhagavata Bhakti that is held as the very essence of true bhakti, pointed out Sri Sankararama Dikshitar in a discourse. When the hostilities between Indra and Vritrasura reach a peak, Indra is advised to make the powerful Vajrayudha weapon out of the strong backbone of Sage Dadichi. So he approaches the sage and asks him to part with it. Though no one would willingly part with it, the sage is truly realised and gives up his life by controlling the prana, mind and senses through yoga. At the battleground when both are poised to fight, Indra is wonderstruck at Vritrasura's spirit of devotion to the Lord. The asura predicts victory for Indra but promises that he would fight his best till the end. He claims that he beholds the very God 'Hari,' in front of him and offers the Lord his prayers. "Oh God, my past sins and my asura birth stand in the way of my desire to serve you in person." Yet, he prays to the Lord in soulful terms to grant him the fortune to serve His bhaktas at least.

Kulasekhara Azhwar's famous verse in the Mukundamala captures the spirit of service that is a sure route to reaching God's feet. Azhwar prays, "Oh Lord, you gave me this birth. I should understand the aim of this manushya janma through your grace. My prarthana is that you should accept my service in the line of your bhaktas at least at the lowest rung. This will help me to focus my thought, word and deed on you and your lotus feet." In this manner, Vritrasura surrenders to Lord with humility.

JENIN

Four persons killed in Israel raid, says Palestinian Health Ministry

A wounded demonstrator being carried during a protest against an Israeli raid, near the settlement of Beit El, near Ramallah, in the Israeli-occupied West Bank on Wednesday. The raid targeting alleged militants killed four Palestinians, including the brother of a man blamed for a Tel Aviv attack. REUTERS

SEOUL

N. Korea fires two missiles on eve of Kamala Harris's visit to Seoul

North Korea fired two short-range ballistic missiles on Wednesday, Seoul's military said, just days after Pyongyang's last test and ahead of a visit to South Korea by U.S. Vice-President Kamala Harris. The missiles flew "around 360 km at an altitude of 30 km at the speed of Mach 6", Seoul's Joint Chiefs of Staff said. AFP

ARBIL

Seven persons dead, 28 injured in Iran strikes on Iraqi Kurdistan

Smoke rising from the Iraqi Kurdistan headquarters of the Kurdish Democratic Party of Iran, after Iran's Revolutionary Guards' strike on the outskirts of Kirkuk in Iraq on Wednesday. The attack killed seven persons and wounded 28 others. It was aimed at Kurdish factions in Iraq that have deplored an ongoing protest in the country. REUTERS

PINAR DEL RIO

Hurricane Ian leaves Cuba without power, takes aim at coast of Florida

Hurricane Ian left a trail of destruction and caused a widespread blackout in Cuba on Tuesday. Ian hit Cuba's western regions for more than five hours early on Tuesday morning, before moving out over the warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico. The storm damaged Cuba's power network and plunged the island into darkness. AP

Ukraine referendum results point to Russia annexation

The U.S. is preparing a new round of sanctions against Russia should it annex the territories and a $1.1 billion arms package for Ukraine

Reuters
LONDON/ZAPORIZHZHYA

Russian-installed officials in four breakaway regions of Ukraine reported huge majorities of votes in favour of joining Russia as the U.S. planned a UN resolution condemning the referendums as "shams" and Russia remained defiant.

The U.S. was also preparing a new round of sanctions against Russia should it annex Ukrainian territory and a $1.1 billion arms package for Ukraine that will be announced soon, U.S. officials said on Tuesday.

Secretary of State Antony Blinken said the U.S. and its allies remained committed to European energy security, after Germany, Sweden and Denmark said attacks caused major leaks from two Russian energy pipelines. It remained far from clear who might be behind the leaks.

Hastily arranged votes took place over five days in the eastern regions of Donetsk and Luhansk, and in Zaporizhzhya and Kherson to the south, that together make up about 15% of Ukrainian territory.

Collateral damage: Ukrainian rescue workers carrying a bag with a woman's body after a Russian attack on a school on Wednesday. AP

Vote tallies from complete results on Tuesday in the four provinces ranged from 87% to 99.2% in favour of joining Russia, according to Russia-appointed officials.

The head of the upper house of the Russian Parliament said the chamber might consider annexation on October 4. "The results are clear. Welcome home, to Russia!," Dmitry Medvedev, a former President who serves as deputy chairman of Russia's Security Council and an ally of President Vladimir Putin, said.

Within the breakaway territories, Russian-installed officials took ballot boxes from house to house in what Ukraine and the West said was an illegitimate, coercive exercise to create a legal pretext for Russia to annex the four regions.

UN resolution

"This farce in the occupied territories cannot even be called an imitation of a referendum," Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky said in video address late on Tuesday.

The U.S. will introduce a resolution at the UN Security Council calling on member states not to recognise any change to Ukraine and obligating Russia to withdraw its troops, U.S. envoy Linda Thomas-Greenfield said.

'We could not agree more': Blinken on PM Modi's message to Putin

Sriram Lakshman
WASHINGTON

The U.S. was quick to back India's recent and more explicit expression of disdain for Russian President Vladimir Putin's attack on Ukraine, and Secretary of State Antony Blinken was the latest U.S. official to echo PM Modi's message to Mr. Putin that now was not the time for war.

"We could not agree more," Mr. Blinken said, during a joint press event with External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar, held at the State Department on Tuesday. The Secretary was referring to Mr. Modi telling Mr. Putin in Samarkand, Uzbekistan, on September 16, that this was not the era for war.

One person can stop this aggression tomorrow. And that's Vladimir Putin, says Antony Blinken

"One person has the ability to stop this aggression tomorrow," Mr. Blinken said. "And that's Vladimir Putin."

The Secretary went on to repeat his message from his address to the UN Security Council last week. "And as I said last week, if Russia stops fighting, the war ends, if Ukraine stops fighting Ukraine ends."

"I think it's very important though that voices as consequential as India's make themselves heard," Mr. Blinken said, adding that it was for this reason that he thought Mr. Modi's comments were "so significant" as was Mr. Jaishankar's "strong, clear" support for the U.N. Charter articulated during his UNGA speech last week.

Mr. Jaishankar indicated during the press conference on Tuesday that there were several ways in which India was involved in trying to help the conflict situation. The Minister said he was in touch with his G20 and Security Council counterparts. He indicated India had been approached to "weigh in with Russia" at a "particularly delicate moment" about the Black Sea grain initiative (a UN-facilitated programme in July to get Ukrainian food grains out to the world).

"I had a meeting with the Prime Minister of Ukraine. He did mention some very specific concerns which he thought merited our attention, where he thought we could be of some use," Mr. Jaishankar said, referring to his meeting on September 21 with Denys Shmyhal.

Mr. Jaishankar also said he had been discussing another set of issues with UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres, and indicated that India was involved, even if not with the overarching prospect of peace, about ameliorating or solving particular issues that had emerged from the conflict. Mr. Jaishankar said he did not want to go into specifics.

EU suspects sabotage in Russian gas pipeline leak

Reuters
BERLIN/COPENHAGEN

Any deliberate disruption to the EU's energy infrastructure would meet a "robust and united response", its top diplomat said, after several states said two Russian pipelines to Europe that have been spewing gas into the Baltic had been attacked.

It remained far from clear who might be behind the leaks on the Nord Stream pipelines.

The European Union believes sabotage probably caused the leaks detected on Monday in the Nord Stream pipelines, Josep Borrell said, echoing views aired by Germany, Denmark and Sweden.

Chinese man killed in attack in Pakistan

Press Trust of India
KARACHI

A Chinese national was shot dead and two injured on Wednesday when a gunman opened fire inside a dental clinic in Pakistan's southern port city of Karachi, the police said, in what is believed to be the latest targeted attack against Chinese citizens. SSP (South) Asad Raza said that the attacker, in his early 30s, entered the clinic located in Karachi's Saddar area pretending to be a patient and opened fire inside the doctor's room. "The attacker killed the assistant, Ronald Chow, on the spot and injured dentist Dr Richard Hu Lee, 74 and his wife Margaret, 72," the officer said.

Saudi Arabia's powerful Crown Prince is named country's Prime Minister

Associated Press
DUBAI

Saudi Arabia's powerful Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman was appointed Prime Minister on Tuesday by royal decree.

The Crown Prince, who is heir to the throne held by King Salman, already wields wide powers and is seen as the kingdom's day-to-day leader.

The royal decree appointing him as Prime Minister was carried by the Saudi Press Agency. It said King Salman will continue to chair the Cabinet meetings that he attends.

The 37-year-old Crown Prince, widely known by the acronym MBS, has taken the lead on Vision 2030, the kingdom's wide-ranging plan to transform its economy and end its dependency on oil.

Country's transformation

The de facto ruler has overseen the most fundamental transformation in the modern history of the Gulf nation and sidelined all rivals after he became crown prince in June 2017.

He is associated with the October 2018 killing of Saudi journalist and critic Jamal Khashoggi, who disappeared after entering the Saudi Consulate in Istanbul. U.S.

Mohammed bin Salman

intelligence officials found that the crown prince likely approved the killing.

The prince said in 2019 that he took "full responsibility" for the killing since it happened on his watch, but denied ordering it. Saudi officials have said Khashoggi's killing was the work of rogue Saudi security and intelligence officials. Saudi Arabian courts say they have sentenced eight Saudi nationals to prison over the killing but have not identified them.

U.S. President Joe Biden once vowed to make Saudi Arabia a "pariah" over the killing, but he visited the kingdom and met with the Crown Prince earlier this year, acknowledging the continued importance of relations with the world's largest oil exporter.

GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU - **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**
Building Organisation - Form of Contract : Lumpsum
Tender Notice No.11 / VLR – CLE / 2022 – 2023 / Dated : 28.09.2022

For and on behalf of Governor of Tamil Nadu Sealed Tenders are invited by the Superintending Engineer, PWD., Buildings (Construction and Maintenance) Circle, Vellore –1 for the following work from the eligible Contractors registered in Public works Department of Government of Tamil Nadu, upto **3.00 PM** as per office clock on **02.11.2022** under Two cover system (Pre qualification and Price tender). The Prequalification cover (Cover I) alone will be opened on **02.11.2022** at **3.30 PM** by the Superintending Engineer in presence of the Tenderers or their authorised agents.

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Approximate value of work including GST (Rs.in lakhs)	Amount of Earnest Money Deposit (in Rupees)	Period of Completion (including monsoon period)
1.	Construction of 60 Bedded Taluk Level Government Hospital building at **Katpadi** in Vellore District.	1135.00	5,78,000/-	12 Months

The E.M.D. remittance and other details can also be available from the Govt. designated website **(http://www.tenders.tn.gov.in)** and Office of the Superintending Engineer, PWD., Building (C&M) Circle, Vellore – 632 001. The tender schedule can be downloaded at free of cost from the above website, **upto 01.11.2022 - 5.45 pm.**

DIPR/ 4305 /TENDER/2022

Superintending Engineer, PWD., Buildings (C&M) Circle, Vellore-1.

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1.	Construction of OP Block, ICU Male and Female Ward, Lab, Scan, Pharmacy and X-Ray room in Govt. Hospital at **Vaniyambadi** in Thiruppathur District.	2223.00	11,22,000/-	18 Months
2.	Construction of OP Block, ICU Male and Female Ward, Lab, Scan, Pharmacy and X-Ray room in Govt. Hospital at **Ambur** in Thiruppathur District.	2275.00	11,48,000/-	18 Months
3.	Construction of Additional building for Additional Beds (Speciality) and other amenities in District Head Quarters Hospital at **Thiruppathur** in Thiruppathur District.	5379.00	27,00,000/-	18 Months
4.	Construction of Additional building for Additional Beds (Speciality) and other amenities in District Head Quarters Hospital at **Thirukovilur** in Kallakurichi District.	5084.00	25,52,000/-	18 Months
5.	Construction of District Head Quarters Hospital at **Tindivanam** in Villupuram District.	5528.00	27,74,000/-	18 Months

The E.M.D. remittance and other details can also be available from the Govt. designated website **(http://www.tenders.tn.gov.in)** and Office of the Superintending Engineer, PWD., Building (C&M) Circle, Thiruvannamalai. The tender schedule can be downloaded at free of cost from the above website, upto **01.11.2022 - 5.45 PM.**

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Superintending Engineer, PWD., Buildings (C&M) Circle, Thiruvannamalai.

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No. DMG- 17012/17/2022 **Date: 27.09.2022**
C. No. 873977

NOTIFICATION AND NOTICE INVITING TENDER
"Invitation of bids for grant of Composite Licence for gold and bauxite blocks"

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 11 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and in accordance with the Minerals (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Rules, 2015 and the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 and amendments notified thereunder, the Government of Karnataka has identified 2 gold blocks and 1 bauxite block for grant of Composite Licence through auction and hereby invites tender for electronic auction:

List of Mineral blocks for Composite Licence through auction

S. No.	Name of the block	District	Mineral	Concession Area (in Sq.Km)	Estimated Resources (in MMT)	Tender fee
1.	Maddakere Gold Block	Chitradurga	Gold	45.00	---	INR 2,00,000+ 18%GST
2.	Timmannahalli Gold Block	Tumakuru	Gold	20.00	---	INR 2,00,000+ 18%GST
3.	Niddodi Bauxite Block	Dakshina Kannada	Bauxite	0.528	0.145	INR 2,00,000+ 18%GST

Any person, firm or company who satisfies the eligibility criteria can participate in the auction. Technical and financial bids for the above listed block are invited online. Apart from the online Technical Bids, bidders will have to submit duly executed original physical copies of their Technical Bids to the Tender Inviting Authority i.e. Director, Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Karnataka.

Eligibility conditions, terms and conditions, date and time for participating in the electronic auction are provided in the Tender Document. Tender Documents, notifications, updates and other details for the e-auction process shall be available in electronic form only at the website of MSTC Ltd (**http://www.mstcecommerce.com / auctionhome/mlcl/index.jsp**).

Interested and eligible bidders can register themselves at the above website. On successful registration, bidders will obtain login ID and password, which are necessary for participation in the e-auction process. Model Tender Document and summary of the block shall be available free of cost at the website of MSTC Limited (**http://www.mstcecommerce.com /auctionhome/mlcl/index.jsp**). For participating in the bidding process, the registered bidders will have to purchase the block specific tender document at the website of MSTC Ltd as per fees mentioned in the table for each block.

The GST at the rate of 18% on the purchase of tender document shall be applicable. The GST applicable is to be paid by the prospective bidder itself. The prospective bidder shall be solely responsible for remitting the GST as per applicable law and statutory liability in this regard will be responsibility of prospective bidder and no liability whatsoever shall be borne by the DMG Karnataka /MSTC.

The sale of tender document shall commence from **28 September 2022**. Last date for sale of tender document at the website of MSTC Ltd is **17 November 2022**. Last date for submission of Technical Bids plus the Initial Price Offers at the website of MSTC Ltd is **29 November 2022 (up to 17:00 hours IST)**. Physical copies of the Technical Bids must reach the Tender Inviting Authority i.e. Director, Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Karnataka by **17:00 hours IST on 29 November 2022**.

Sd/-
Director
Department of Mines & Geology

DIPR/CP/2411/Zenkar/2022-23

INBRIEF

Suzlon Energy's rights issue of ₹1,200 cr. to open on Oct. 11

Suzlon Energy on Wednesday announced the opening of its rights issue on October 11. The firm said it would issue up to 240 crore partly paid-up equity shares for cash at a price of ₹5 per share (including a premium of ₹3 per rights equity share) aggregating up to ₹1,200 crore. The issue will be in the ratio of 5 rights shares for every 21 fully paid-up equity shares held by eligible shareholders on the record date of October 4. PTI

'Tea exports rose to 116 mn kg in January-July this year'

Tea exports during the January-July period touched 116.36 million kg compared with 103.38 million kg a year earlier. According to Tea Board data, exports to the largest importing block, the CIS countries, remained almost stagnant at 25.20 million kg as against 24.98 million kg in the period. Industry sources said the conflict between Russia and Ukraine had caused serious shipment problems. UAE emerged as a large importer at 19.14 million kg, up from 8.07 million kg a year earlier. PTI

Manali Petro propylene glycol project hit by clearance delay

The propylene glycol project of Manali Petrochemicals Ltd. (MPL) is behind schedule due to the holding up of regulatory clearances, said chairman Ashwin C. Muthiah. Addressing shareholders at the 36th AGM, he said that the first phase production of 32,000 tonnes per annum would commence within 18 to 21 months of receipt of all approvals for which applications had already been filed. "The project has been delayed due to longer than usual time for processing of environmental clearances," he said.

'Budget to reset tax laws to decriminalise sections in I-T, GST'

No compounding under GST yet due to steep penalties, may slash them to curb tax disputes, says Additional Secretary Revenue Vivek Aggarwal

Vikas Dhoot
NEW DELHI

Simpler to settle: Aim is to slash penalties so that compounding becomes a better or a first choice for a taxpayer, says official. PTI

The Union Budget 2023-24 will include steps to decriminalise taxation laws, remove provisions in the Income Tax, Goods and Services Tax (GST) and Customs laws that are similar to sections that can be invoked under the Indian Penal Code (IPC), and reduce 'prohibitive' compounding charges under GST, a senior finance ministry official said.

The compounding provisions in GST, which entail penalties from 50% to 150% of the tax amount involved, make it "impossible for anybody to pay", said Vivek Aggarwal, Additional Secretary in the Department of Revenue. As a result, "there has been zero compounding in India till now for all cases filed under the GST Act," the official added.

'Becomes affordable'

"That is being relooked at so that it becomes affordable and compounding becomes a better or a first choice for a taxpayer," Mr. Aggarwal explained. "We are looking at raising the threshold limits (for deeming offences as criminal) in GST, and removing provisions that are overlapping with the IPC so that they become simpler as the GST gets streamlined," he said.

'Reviewing thresholds'

While the thresholds for considering tax evasion a criminal offence were also being reviewed under the Income Tax and Customs laws, sections of the IPC that deal with obstructing officers performing their duty and failing to respond to summons for documents, for instance, need not be replicated in tax laws, he indicated.

"As we come to the Finance Bill of 2023, you will see major changes for ease of doing business as well as decriminalisation of tax laws," Mr. Aggarwal said at an international tax conference hosted by Assocham on Wednesday, noting that this had been identified as a priority area by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman.

'Aim to cut discretion'

While some criminal provisions in the tax laws were compoundable, the government was examining the level of compounding that was happening and the extent of discretion being exercised by officers so as to make the process more objective.

"After examining this, we have come to a conclusion that the compounding regime had to be made simpler and discretion had to be reduced. We can increase the thresholds for declaring a particular act as a crime and we can look at removing those sections in those Acts which are actually a duplication," Mr. Aggarwal said.

Stocks extend slide, rupee hits a new low

The Hindu Bureau
MUMBAI

Key equity indices extended their slide on Wednesday, dropping almost 1% as a global flight to safety saw FIIs dump local stocks.

The S&P BSE Sensex fell 509.29 points, or 0.89%, to 56,598.28. Sensex stocks which lost the most include ITC (2.9%), Axis Bank (2.8%), Reliance (2.6%), Tata Steel (2.4%) and State Bank (2.0%).

The NSE Nifty 50 too declined 0.87% to 16,858.60.

"Investors continue to be sceptical of the domestic market's higher premium amid the global deceleration; foreign investors are fleeing emerging economies," said Vinod Nair, head of Research, Geojit Financial Services.

The rupee slid 40 paise to a new low of 81.93 against the dollar. "I think rupee will take support of 82 and remain in the range of 82-80," said Megh Mody, Commodities and Currencies Research Analyst, Prabhudas Lilladher.

'Forex reserves to dip by $23 billion by Dec.'

Reuters
BENGALURU

As per the forecast, RBI will likely run down reserves at a rate last seen in the 2008 financial crisis

India's depleted foreign exchange reserves are likely to drop further, falling to their lowest level in more than two years by end-2022, as the Reserve Bank of India continues to defend the rupee from the dollar's rise, a Reuters poll of economists found.

In a battle that has so far failed to staunch the rupee's fall to a record low against the greenback, the RBI has drawn down its foreign exchange reserves by close to $100 billion, to $545 billion. Those reserves are forecast to fall another $23 billion to $523 billion by the end of this year, according to the median forecast from a September 26-27 Reuters poll of 16 economists.

If realised, that would be the lowest level in more than two years, suggesting the RBI will run down reserves at a rate last seen during the global financial crisis of 2008, when they fell more than 20%.

MARKETS

MARKET WATCH

	WEDNESDAY	CHANGE
Sensex	56,598	-0.89
US Dollar	81.93	-0.49
Gold	49,282	-0.60
Brent oil	88.19	2.09

NIFTY 50

	PRICE	CHANGE
Adani Ports	827.10	-17.10
Apollo Hosp	4268.95	26.00
Asian Paints	3570.65	100.00
Axis Bank	716.45	-21.05
Bajaj Auto	3545.90	4.00
Bajaj Finserv	1652.20	-27.35
Bajaj Finance	7202.50	-40.35
Bharti Airtel	761.45	0.85
BPCL	306.00	-4.65
Britannia Ind	3853.20	29.05
Cipla	1097.15	-1.55
Coal India	210.80	-3.10
Divis Lab	3703.35	23.15
Dr Reddys Lab	4269.70	88.10
Eicher Motors	3628.30	57.75
Grasim Ind	1669.15	-13.35
HCL Tech	920.80	2.05
HDFC	2244.05	-45.10
HDFC Bank	1389.55	-24.30
HDFC Life	514.45	-6.40
Hero MotoCorp	2591.35	-46.90
Hindalco	360.75	-12.85
Hind Unilever	2702.10	22.85
ICICI Bank	849.50	-3.05
IndusInd Bank	1140.90	-24.20
Infosys	1394.70	1.15
ITC	324.95	-9.90
JSW Steel	616.50	-20.50
Kotak Bank	1792.60	-6.70
L&T	1835.45	-5.75
M&M	1242.40	6.65
Maruti Suzuki	8726.75	-47.30
NestleIndia	18840.95	168.30
NTPC	157.95	-1.05
ONGC	122.55	-1.90
PowerGrid Corp	207.70	2.85
Reliance Ind	2332.45	-63.80
SBI Life	1238.80	-3.50
State Bank	524.85	-11.65
Shree Cement	20844.50	-318.75
Sun Pharma	917.85	20.70
TataConsumerProduct	793.65	-4.20
Tata Motors	399.10	0.30
Tata Steel	95.20	-2.45
TCS	3035.65	18.20
Tech Mahindra	1029.70	7.20
Titan	2576.95	-23.40
UltraTech Cement	6172.95	-19.90
UPL	663.70	-14.00
Wipro	398.05	-0.35

EXCHANGE RATES

Indicative direct rates in rupees a unit except yen at 4 p.m. on September 28

CURRENCY	TT BUY	TT SELL
US Dollar	81.74	82.06
Euro	78.16	78.47
British Pound	86.41	86.77
Japanese Yen (100)	56.50	56.72
Chinese Yuan	11.30	11.34
Swiss Franc	82.62	82.95
Singapore Dollar	56.49	56.72
Canadian Dollar	59.36	59.59
Malaysian Ringitt	17.65	17.73
Australian Dollar	52.34	52.55

Source:Indian Bank

India doesn't need so many PSBs, says ex-SBI chief

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

India needs 'fewer' but stronger Public Sector Banks (PSBs), and the smaller ones could be privatised or merged, former SBI chief Arundhati Bhattacharya said.

Ms. Bhattacharya added that most goals that are expected to be achieved via the privatisation of PSBs could also actually be achieved by enabling state-owned banks and by levelling the playing field.

"Privatisation has never been the answer to all the ills," she told PTI while responding to a question on former RBI governor D. Subbarao's suggestion that the Centre should come up with a 10-year road map for privatisation of all PSBs.

Govt. scraps sale of Central Electronics to Nandal Finance

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

An empowered GoM decided to cancel the transaction altogether 'after careful consideration'

The Centre on Wednesday terminated the strategic sale of Central Electronics Ltd. (CEL) announced last November, and disqualified the successful bidder Nandal Finance and Leasing Pvt. Ltd., based on recommendations of an empowered Group of Ministers handling disinvestment transactions.

While the winning bidder was selected following a "transparent, open and competitive bidding process" and "laid down procedure of strategic investment", and a press release issued about CEL's sale to Nandal Finance on November 29, the Finance Ministry said "certain allegations were received against the bidder" subsequently.

"Government examined these allegations and found merit only in one allegation regarding pendency of a proceeding in National Company Law Appellate Tribunal against the successful bidder," the Finance Ministry noted.

The Ministry said the bidder was given a due opportunity to show cause on points of disqualification, following which the Group of Ministers decided to scrap the transaction 'after careful consideration'.

Moonlighting no reason to end WFH, says DXC Tech

Mini Tejaswi
BENGALURU

Moonlighting is only one challenge and is not reason enough for a company to put an end to work-from-home that has benefited a large chunk of employees, said DXC Technology India MD Nachiket Sukhtankar.

Tech workers have been doing cutting edge work from home and the WFH regime had been benefiting a bulk of employees in DXC, he said. "If we discovered any obvious conflict of interest, we will... approach such instances case by case," he added.

The Virginia-based IT services firm had recently said it would continue with the work-from-home policy for its 43,000 employees in India.

'Cement firms in South not able to offset cost increase'

The Hindu Bureau
CHENNAI

Despite better demand, the cement industry in the South is unable to pass on the rise in cost of production, said The India Cements' vice-chairman and MD N. Srinivasan.

"Compared with all-India peers who had a reasonable increase in selling price to partially offset the cost increase, the industry in the South had to bear the brunt of severe cost push without any compensating increase in selling price," he said at the AGM.

'Demand for PVs will remain strong in festival season'

Lalatendu Mishra
MUMBAI

The demand for passenger vehicles will remain strong during the ongoing and upcoming festival season despite the thinning of the demand-supply gap due to COVID and supply-side disruptions, said Shailesh Chandra, MD, Tata Motors Passengers Vehicles & Tata Passenger Electric Mobility.

"Till FY22, the journey had been more of demand less supply," he said. "There was more pent- up demand and the industry was struggling to supply. The volumes went down to 6,50,000 unts last year," Mr. Chandra said. "But for the last 4 quarters things have been more stable," he said. "There has been a strong supply of nearly 3.3 million units in the last 4 quarters," the MD said.

"In this quarter, the industry will hopefully touch one million units which has not happened in the past," Mr. Chandra said.

In the EV industry, the Tata Motors official said the struggle had been more on the supply side.

The company on Wednesday introduced the Tiago EV at an introductory price starting at ₹8.49 lakh (all India, ex-showroom).

Despite the sharp growth in electric vehicles in the country, the demand for ICE vehicles would still remain strong, Mr. Chandra added.

FOOTBALL

FIFA honours Chhetri, releases series on his life and career

FIFA has released on FIFA+ (its streaming platform) a three-episode series on the life and career of talismanic Indian football captain Sunil Chhetri in recognition of his achievements. The 38-year-old is third in the list for active footballers with most international goals with 84, behind Cristiano Ronaldo (117) and Lionel Messi (90).

TENNIS

Like Federer, Djokovic also wants biggest rivals at his swansong

Novak Djokovic said he wants his biggest rivals to be by his side when he brings the curtain down on his career, much like Roger Federer's emotional goodbye."Seeing his kids and his family, it also got me emotional. I would love to have my biggest rivals. Because it added something more special and importance to that moment."

GENERAL

Shami tests negative for COVID-19, 10 days after being infected

Mohammed Shami on Wednesday tested negative for COVID-19, over 10 days after he had been infected by the virus. The 32-year-old posted his negative report on his *Instagram* account, hours after the BCCI named veteran pacer Umesh Yadav as his replacement for the three-match T20I series against South Africa.

CRICKET

Pakistan holds its nerve to edge out England in the fifth T20I

Mohd. Rizwan's half-century coupled with a spirited bowling display helped Pakistan beat England by six runs in the fifth T20I in Lahore on Wednesday and take a 3-2 lead in the seven-match series.
The scores: Pakistan 145 in 19 overs (Mohd. Rizwan 63, Mark Wood 3/20) bt England 139/7 in 20 overs (Moeen Ali 51 n.o.).

Arshdeep, Chahar swing the contest India's way as it thumps South Africa to take a 1-0 lead

Harshal and Ashwin lend good support with the ball; despite a slow start, which saw India registering its lowest PowerPlay score of 17 for one, the home team crosses the finish line with eight wickets and 3.2 overs to spare; Rahul and Suryakumar come up with unbeaten fifties

S. AFRICA IN INDIA

P.K. Ajith Kumar
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

In front of one of the bluest seas of spectators you would ever see, India's new-ball bowlers came up with a superlative show of swing bowling on Wednesday night.

The cream of the South African batting had no answer to Deepak Chahar and Arshdeep Singh, neither of whom had figured in the recent series against Australia. They broke the back of the formidable Proteas batting and justified their captain Rohit Sharma's decision to bowl first in the opening T20I at the Greenfield Stadium.

Making the ball talk: Miller has no clue to this inswinger from Arshdeep who is the toast of his teammates for his fine effort. M. PERIASAMY

Crowd delighted

South Africa could make only 106 for eight. Despite a slow start, which saw India registering its lowest PowerPlay score of 17 for one, the host romped home with 3.2 overs to spare, much to the delight of the massive crowd, which would have probably liked to see a few more big hits. They nevertheless were able to witness some brilliant bowling by India up front, as the visitors slid to nine for five inside the third over.

It all began with the last ball of the first over. After swinging three balls away from the South Africa captain Temba Bavuma, Chahar moved one in. The middle stump was knocked off as the ball sneaked through the gate. In the second ball of the next over, Arshdeep incredibly struck thrice. The young left-armer had Quinton de Kock playing away from his body only to get dismissed playing on.

Three balls later, Rilee Rossouw was caught behind, for a golden duck off one that moved away. Off the next ball the dangerous David Miller was bowled an inswinger. When Aiden Markram (25, 24b) perished lbw to Harshal Patel, South Africa was 42 for six.

Thanks to Wayne Parnell (24, 37b) and Keshav Maharaj (41, 35b, 5x4, 2x6), South Africa went past the 100-mark. That never was going to be enough, especially against a batting line-up featuring an in-form Suryakumar Yadav.

Suryakumar (50 n.o., 33b, 5x4, 3x6) and K.L. Rahul (51 n.o., 56b, 2x4, 4x6) added 93 for the unfinished third wicket to frustrate South Africa.

India made four changes from the side that won the series-decider against Australia three days ago. Hardik Pandya, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Jasprit Bumrah, who complained of back pain, and Yuzvendra Chahal made way for Rishabh Pant, Arshdeep, Deepak and R. Ashwin.

SCOREBOARD

SOUTH AFRICA
Quinton de Kock b Arshdeep 1 *(4b)*, Temba Bavuma b Chahar 0 *(4b)*, Rilee Rossouw c Pant b Arshdeep 0 *(1b)*, Aiden Markram lbw b Harshal 25 *(24b, 3x4, 1x6)*, David Miller b Arshdeep 0 *(1b)*, Tristan Stubbs c Arshdeep b Chahar 0 *(1b)*, Wayne Parnell c Suryakumar b Axar 24 *(37b, 1x4, 1x6)*, Keshav Maharaj b Harshal 41 *(35b, 5x4, 2x6)*, Kagiso Rabada (not out) 7 *(11b)*, Anrich Nortje (not out) 2 *(2b)*; Extras (w-6): 6; Total (for eight wkts. in 20 overs): 106.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-1 (Bavuma, 0.6 overs), 2-1 (de Kock, 1.2), 3-8 (Rossouw, 1.5), 4-8 (Miller, 1.6), 5-9 (Stubbs, 2.3), 6-42 (Markram, 7.6), 7-68 (Parnell, 15.5), 8-101 (Maharaj, 19.1).

INDIA BOWLING
Chahar 4-0-24-2, Arshdeep 4-0-32-3, Ashwin 4-1-8-0, Harshal 4-0-26-2, Axar 4-0-16-1.

INDIA
K.L. Rahul (not out) 51 *(56b, 2x4, 4x6)*, Rohit Sharma c de Kock b Rabada 0 *(2b)*, Virat Kohli c de Kock b Nortje 3 *(9b)*, Suryakumar Yadav (not out) 50 *(33b, 5x4, 3x6)*; Extras (w-6): 6; Total (for two wkts. in 16.4 overs): 110.

FALL OF WICKETS
1-9 (Rohit, 2.2 overs), 2-17 (Kohli, 6.1).

SOUTH AFRICA BOWLING
Rabada 4-1-16-1, Parnell 4-0-14-0, Nortje 3-0-32-1, Shamsi 2.4-0-27-0, Maharaj 3-0-21-0.

Toss: India; **MoM:** Arshdeep.
India won by eight wkts. to take 1-0 lead in three-match series.

'Great to get wickets early'

M.R. Praveen Chandran
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Arshdeep Singh excelled with the new ball at the Greenfield stadium and broke the back of South African batting with three wickets in the PowerPlay.

On his game changing spell, he said, "It was obviously a great feeling to get the wickets earlier. The plan was simple. The ball was swinging and it was important to bowl in the right areas. We bowled really well in the PowerPlay and credit to Chahar for keeping pressure from the other end."

Keshav Maharaj, who fought the lone battle for South Africa, said, "It was a difficult wicket and the ball was swinging and credit to Indian bowlers and batters. But we can take some positives from this match, especially the way we fought back and we will try to play better in the next match."

Vihari. FILE PHOTO: R. RAGU

Irani Cup: Vihari to lead Rest of India against Saurashtra

Press Trust of India
NEW DELHI

Hanuma Vihari will lead the Rest of India side against 2019-20 Ranji Trophy champion Saurashtra in the Irani Cup clash, which is returning to the calendar after three years.

The BCCI announced a 15-man squad for the red-ball tournament, which is set to be held in Rajkot from October 1-5.

The squad:
Hanuma Vihari (Capt.), Mayank Agarwal, Priyank Panchal, Abhimanyu Easwaran, Yash Dhull, Sarfaraaz Khan, Yashasvi Jaiswal, K.S.Bharat, Upendra Yadav, Jayant Yadav, Saurabh Kumar, R Sai Kishore, Mukesh Kumar, Umran Malik, Kuldeep Sen and Arzan Nagwaswalla.

Gujarat all primed to host the National Games from today

Y.B. Sarangi
AHMEDABAD

Gujarat will gain some first-hand experience at organising a multi-sport event when the 36th National Games will be formally inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the stadium named after him here on Thursday.

Following the 2015 Kerala edition and the cancellation of the Goa edition, the National Games is being held after seven long years. The Gujarat Government relied on its existing infrastructure in six cities – Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar, Vadodara, Surat, Bhavnagar and Rajkot – to make the mega event possible in 90 days.

Only the cycling track event is being hosted by Delhi.

Athletes from 36 units (States and Services Sports Control Board) will compete in 35 disciplines after handball was dropped at the last minute due to an internal squabble. With stress on indigenous sports, malkhamba and yogasana will make their debuts in the Games.

Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra and Olympic medallist P.V. Sindhu – who were present at a build-up event graced by the Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel on Wednesday – will not take part due to injuries, but several others stars are expected to participate.

Taking centrestage: Anju Bobby George, V.V.S. Laxman, Neeraj Chopra, and P.V. Sindhu during the first National Games Sports Conclave. VIJAY SONEJI

Background
The event, which started at Lahore as the Indian Olympic Games in 1924, was held for 12 editions in the pre-Independence era before being rechristened as the National Games, the first edition of which was held at Lucknow in 1948.
Lahore has hosted it six times, including the first and last times before Independence.
First time it was held in more than one centre was in 1987 in Kerala.

While top paddlers Sharath Kamal and Manika Batra have already competed in Surat, Olympic silver medallist weightlifter Mirabai Chanu, boxer Shiva Thapa, swimmers Sajan Prakash, Srihari Nataraj and Maana Patel and archers Atanu Das and Tarundeep Rai will be seen in action in the coming days.

Opportunity

For the younger athletes, the sporting extravaganza will be an opportunity to get an experience of competing in a multi-sport event before they represent the nation.

On the whole, the National Games will provide a new experience for Gujarat's people, who are more used to seeing world-class cricketers than top athletes from other sports.

The host state has not only made its best effort from an organisational point of view, but has also ensured that opportunity is given to its athletes by fielding the biggest contingent.

The next two weeks will tell whether the Games leave an impact on the sporting scenario of the country.

Shooters may 'go with the flow' with Worlds in sight

Santadeep Dey
AHMEDABAD

A number of Indian athletes will be looking to put their best foot forward at the National Games 2022 starting on Thursday in hopes of catapulting themselves into the media spotlight. However, not many shooters will be treating the competition as "top priority".

In fact, the rifle and pistol shooters have been asked to take things easy given the Olympic quota-bearing World Championship in Cairo is knocking on the door, only nine days away from the conclusion of the rifle and pistol events here on October 3.

Shooters, who are a part of the Worlds line-up, will fly straight to Delhi for a training camp scheduled to start on Oct. 5.

Joydeep Karmakar, chief rifle coach of India, says although the National Games is an event steeped in tradition, the shooters may just "go with the flow".

"The National Games have got some heritage and history. Personally, I have a lot of fond memories, having taken part in five editions," Karmakar said.

"The shooters, who are preparing for the Worlds, have a huge amount of talent and they're already prepared. They will have that kind of restraint where they'll just go there, shoot and not dwell on what happened too much.

Ready to fire: Ramita, right, and Elavenil, second from right, at a practice session on Wednesday. V.V. KRISHNAN

"Because they have to then go prepare for their matches in the World Championship because it is more important for them in comparison to winning a medal at the National Games."

Problem with peaking

Having to peak twice in such a short span of time might be a problem, feels Karmakar. He said: "They need to be very careful about how much energy they are putting in here.

"If you're going all out for the State teams and in a week's time, if you have your match in World Championship, I don't think it's a very nice thing to happen.

"Not taking away any credit from the National Games, but I think because the World Championship is here, the shooters should relax and take it as a training match. They might perform very well here, but they cannot be thinking about it too much."

Mehuli Ghosh and Elavenil Valarivan, both part of the 10m air rifle team at the Worlds, had a pre-event training session at the range as well.

Elated

Elavenil seemed elated to perform in front of her home crowd.

"It is a homely atmosphere because I started training as a shooter here in 2012-13. Things look nice."

INBRIEF

Gill smashes a stylish, maiden hundred for Glamorgan

Shubman Gill registered his first-ever county cricket century while playing for Glamorgan against Sussex in their ongoing County Championship Division Two match on Tuesday. The stylish batter smashed 119 runs in 139 balls, consisting of 16 fours and two sixes. Gill is the third Indian to wear the Glamorgan jersey after Ravi Shastri and Sourav Ganguly.

Nishanth helps Bangalore Eagles share honours

N. Nishanth's 78th minute strike earned Bangalore Eagles FC a 1-1 draw against ASC & Center FC in the BDFA Super Division League football in Bengaluru on Wednesday.

The results: Rebels FC 1 (Mohammed Sarif Khan 56) drew with MEG & Center FC 1 (Aarjun Madhu 47); ASC & Center FC 1 (Elangbam Tondon Meitei 56) drew with Bangalore Eagles FC 1 (N. Nishanth 78).

Tamil Nadu posts win in Postal volleyball tournament

Tamil Nadu defeated Uttar Pradesh 25-17, 25-15, 18-25, 25-16 in the All India Postal volleyball tournament in Bengaluru on Wednesday.

Other results: Gujarat bt Telangana 25-21, 25-12, 25-19; Himachal Pradesh bt Haryana 25-7, 25-14, 25-10; Maharashtra bt Madhva Pradesh 25-18, 25-13, 25-22; West Bengal bt Odisha 25-21, 25-21, 25-22.

Indian U-17 wins 3-1 win over 10-man Oman in friendly

The Indian under-17 boys football team converted a couple of penalties to register a 3-1 win over 10-man Oman in a friendly in Muscat. Gangte converted a penalty in the 10th minute while Thokchom doubled India's lead eight minutes later. Lalpekhlua made it 3-0 in the 69th through a penalty.

Dasara CM Cup Games to be inaugurated today

The Dasara CM Cup 2022 games, conducted by the Department of Youth Empowerment & Sports, Government of Karnataka, jointly with the Dasara Sports sub-committee, will be held at the Chamundivihar sports complex and other venues here from September 29 to October 1.

Around 3000 sportspersons from five divisions – Mysuru, Bengaluru (Rural), Bengaluru (City), Belagavi and Kalburgi – would take part across 27 disciplines.

Sports Awards application dates extended

The Sports Ministry on Wednesday extended the last date of submission of applications for this year's National Sports Awards by three days to October 1. Earlier, the ministry had set September 27 as the last date for online submission of applications. This year onwards, applications are being invited only in online mode through a dedicated portal.

Spain snares semifinal spot from Portugal

Alvaro Morata's late strike helps the team sail into the last-four stage where it will join Italy, Croatia and the Netherlands in June 2023, though attention now shifts to the fast-approaching World Cup

NATIONS LEAGUE

Agence France-Presse
BRAGA

Alvaro Morata's late strike snatched Spain a 1-0 Nations League victory over Portugal in Braga on Tuesday and sent it into the semifinals.

La Roja needed to win to finish top of League A Group 2, but struggled on another difficult night for the Euro 2020 semifinalists, until Morata's 88th-minute breakthrough.

Spain has not been able to hit top form in the internationals leading up to the Qatar 2022 World Cup, but this hard-fought victory provides a welcome morale boost.

Portugal had the better of the game but Spain brightened in the final stages, with the introduction of several substitutes, including Nico Williams, who headed across goal for Morata to gleefully turn in at the back post. Spain will join Italy, Croatia and the Netherlands in the semis in June 2023, although attention now switches to the fast-approaching World Cup.

We did it! Assist provider Williams and scorer Morata are over the moon. AFP

"This is a wonderful sport in which winning is the best antidote to any depression or sadness," said Luis Enrique. "Portugal are a top, top, top team. In the first half I insisted, maybe too much, on having the ball, and we did. It's evident we'd prefer to play the passes in their half.

"(But) the first half was necessary to show that the ball was ours, and in the second we had the sensation that the goal would come. We're in the final four again and it's a great joy."

The results: League A: Group 2: Portugal 0 lost to Spain 1 (Morata 99); Switzerland 2 (Freuler 29, Embolo 30) bt Czech Republic 1 (Schick 45).

Praneeth bows out; Meiraba & Ruthvika in prequarterfinals

VIETNEM OPEN

Press Trust of India
HO CHI MINH CITY

Tokyo Olympian B. Sai Praneeth suffered a shock defeat at the hands of fellow Indian Satish Kumar 21-17, 18-21, 13-21 in the men's singles second round at the Vietnam Open Super 100 badminton tournament here on Wednesday.

Satish, who had finished runner-up at the Bangladesh International Challenge in December last year, will now face Malaysia's Ong Ken Yon next.

In other results in men's singles, Meiraba Luwang Maisnam eked out a thrilling 21-16, 18-21, 21-14 win over Malaysia's Kok Jing Hong to set up a fight with Chinese Taipei's Chi Yu Jen, who beat India's eighth seed Mithun Manjunath 21-17, 21-7 in another match.

S. Sankar Muthusamy Subramanian also notched up an sensational win over Indonesian veteran Tommy Sugiarto 14-21, 22-20, 21-12 in the second round.

In the women's singles, Ruthvika Shivani Gadde progressed to the prequarterfinals after getting a walkover from her opponent and will face Vietnam's Thi Trang (B) Vu next.

Ira Sharma and Rituparna Das also made it to the second round with straight game wins.

The results: Men: Second round: Satish Kumar bt B. Sai Praneeth 21-17, 18-21, 13-21; Meiraba Luwang Maisnam bt Kok Jing Hong (Mas) 21-16, 18-21, 21-14; Chi Yu Jen (Tpe) bt Mithun Manjunath 21-17, 21-7; S. Sankar Muthusamy Subramanian bt Tommy Sugiarto (Ina) 14-21, 22-20, 21-12; Chia Hao (Chn) bt Raghu Mariswamy 21-16, 21-15; Harshit Aggarwal bt Batdavaa Munkhbat (Mon) 21-15, 21-13; Kiran Kumar Mekala bt Phone Pyae Naing (Myn) 16-21, 21-14, 21-19.

Women: First round: Prerana Neeluri bt Thi Ngoc Lan Nguyen (Vie) 21-16, 21-14; Ira Sharma bt Thi Anh Tran (Vie) 21-13, 21-14; Rituparna Das bt Bich Phuong Bhi (Vie) 21-12, 21-17.

Mixed doubles: First round: N. Sikki Reddy and Rohan Kapoor bt S.S. Lakshmi Priyanka Subramanian and Hariharan Amsakarunan 14-21, 21-9, 21-12.

Siege Perilous for Chief Minister's Trophy

MYSURU: Siege Perilous, who is in fine fettle, may score an encore in the Chief Minister's Trophy (1,400m), the chief event of the races to be held here on Thursday (Sept 29). False rails (width about 4.5m from 1,600m to the winning post) will be in position.

1 BELUR PLATE (1,400m), rated 00 to 25, 2-00 p.m.: 1. Legionary (10) Gautam Raj 62, 2. Dawn Rising (3) J.H. Arul 60, 3. Shivalik Mesmerise (12) Afsar Khan 59.5, 4. Article Fifteen (9) Nazerul 59, 5. Ironic Humour (8) Sarvan K 59, 6. Sea Blush (4) S. Saqlain 59, 7. Grand Chevalier (1) Darshan 58, 8. Infinite Spirit (5) Adarsh 58, 9. Scarlet Princess (7) H. Rathod 57, 10. Masters Mind (11) M. Prabhakaran 56.5, 11. D Admiral (6) Mukesh K 54 and 12. Swiss Bay (2) Sai Kiran 50.
1. SEA BLUSH, 2. DAWN RISING, 3. MASTER MIND

2 LOKAPAVANI PLATE (1,400m), rated 20 to 45, 5-y-o & over, 2-30: 1. Percivale (3) Santosh K 60, 2. Prince Corporate (8) H. Rathod 60, 3. Unimaginable (10) S. John 59, 4. My One And Only (7) Nazerul 56.5, 5. Country's Pace (2) Sai Kiran 54.5, 6. Viva La Diva (1) H. Zeeshan 54, 7. Airvelocity (5) Afsar Khan 53.5, 8. Spiritualqueen (9) Dhanu S 53.5, 9. Highland Park (4) G. Vivek 52.5 and 10. Flamboyant (6) S. Shareef 50.
1. HIGHLAND PARK, 2. MY ONE AND ONLY, 3. UNIMAGINABLE

3 DUPONT PLATE (1,400m), rated 40 to 65, 3-00: 1. Notoriety (5) S. John 62, 2. Drusilla (2) Ashhad Asbar 61.5, 3. Santorini (6) Srinath 58.5, 4. Achook (8) Hindu S 58, 5. Impelling Power (7) Sai Kiran 53.5, 6. D Dear (3) Mukesh K 53, 7. Sparkles (1) J.H. Arul 52.5 and 8. Imperius (4) Shreyas S 52.
1. SANTORINI, 2. SPARKLES, 3. ACHOOK

4 HOTEL R R R TROPHY (1,600m), rated 20 to 45, 3-30: 1. Antinori (8) Hasib A 61.5, 2. Great Hope (6) B. Darshan 59, 3. Lucky Luciano (2) Hindu S 58, 4. Parker (1) Sai Kiran 57.5, 5. Rauch (5) J.H. Arul 56.5, 6. Coyote Girl (4) Antony 54.5, 7. Against All Odds (10) H. Zeeshan 54, 8. Perfect Empress (7) Kiran Rai 54, 9. White Lies (9) Janardhan P 54 and 10. Buttonwood (3) A. Agarwal 51.
1. COYOTE GIRL, 2. ANTINORI, 3. LUCKY LUCIANO

5 CHIEF MINISTER'S TROPHY (1,400m), rated 60 to 85, 4-00: 1. Aberlour (3) Hasib A 62, 2. Coorg Regiment (8) Antony 60.5, 3. Garrison (4) Gautam Raj 58.5, 4. Siege Perilous (1) S. Saqlain 57.5, 5. Tremendous (5) B. Darshan 57, 6. Gallery Queen (2) Hindu S 54.5, 7. Whizzo (6) G. Vivek 54.5 and 8. Cavarozzi (7) Jagadeesh 53.5.
1. SIEGE PERILOUS, 2. WHIZZO, 3. GALLERY QUEEN

6 MANDYA PLATE (1,200m), rated 20 to 45, 5-y-o & over, 4-30: 1. Anakin (14) S. Saqlain 62, 2. Cherokee Moon (4) Hasib A 62, 3. Dallas (15) Afsar Khan 62, 4. Astrologer (6) Nazerul 59, 5. Debonair (9) Md. Aliyar 59, 6. Tiger Returns (13) Rayan 59, 7. Anne Boleyn (12) J.H. Arul 58.5, 8. Habanero (8) Tousif Kha 58, 9. Gold Gray (7) P. Siddaraju 56.5, 10. Embosom (10) L.A. Rozario 55.5, 11. Mr Humble (11) Jagadeesh 55.5, 12. Country's Song (5) H. Zeeshan 55, 13. Port Of Beauty (2) Antony 55, 14. Skyfire (3) G. Vivek 54.5 and 15. Code Of Honour (1) Ayaz Khan 53.
1. ANAKIN, 2. PORT OF BEAUTY, 3. SKYFIRE

7 KARAPUR PLATE (1,200m), rated 40 to 65, 5-y-o & over, 5-00: 1. Coastal Cruise (9) Ayaz Khan 61.5, 2. What Is This (13) H. Rahul 60, 3. March To Victory (14) Salman K 59.5, 4. Perfect Rendition (8) Hasib A 59.5, 5. Extraordinary (6) Srinath 57, 6. Super Gladiator (4) Nazerul 57, 7. Del Mar (1) S. Saqlain 56.5, 8. Guiding Force (2) Afsar Khan 55.5, 9. Donna Bella (5) Antony 55, 10. Socrates (12) R. Shiva K 55, 11. Perfect Perfecto (10) Dhanu S 54, 12. Wind Whistler (7) Sai Kiran 53.5, 13. Harmonia (11) Rayan 53 and 14. Striking Memory (3) Jagadeesh 50.5.
1. DEL MAR, 2. DONNA BELLA, 3. PERFECT RENDITION

Day's best: **SIEGE PERILOUS**
Double: **COYOTE GIRL – ANAKIN**
Jkt: 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7; Tr (i): 2, 3 and 4; (ii): 5, 6 and 7.

FC Goa announces squad for ISL

ANI
PANAJI

FC Goa's squad for the upcoming 2022-23 Indian Super League (ISL) has been named.

The squad: Goalkeepers: Dheeraj Singh, Arshdeep Singh, Hrithik Tiwari. **Defenders:** Sanson Pereira, Anwar Ali, Fares Arnaout, Leander D'Cunha, Marc Valiente, Seriton Fernandes, Saviour Gama, Aibanbha Dohling, Lesly Rebello. **Midfielders:** Brandon Fernandes (capt.), Princeton Rebello, Ayush Chhetri, Phrangki Buam, Makan Chothe, Redeem Tlang, Edu Bedia, Glan Martins, Brison Fernandes, Muhammed Nemil, Lalremruata. **Forwards:** Noah Sadaoui, Devendra Murgaokar, Iker Guarrotxena, Alvaro Vazquez.

Bhowneesh wins Olympic quota place for Paris Games

SHOTGUN WORLD CUP

Sports Bureau

Bhowneesh Mendiratta missed a medal in men's trap but clinched an Olympic quota for Paris 2024 Games with a fourth place finish in the shotgun World Championship in Osijek, Croatia, on Wednesday.

The 23-year-old from Faridabad, Bhowneesh qualified for the final in fourth place with a score of 121 out of 125, following rounds of 25, 23, 24, 24 and 25.

In the semifinals, he topped with a 24, but in the medal round he was first to crash out with a score of 13, pipped by one point by the rest.

With the top four in each event getting the Olympic quota, Bhowneesh fetched the first Olympic quota in shooting for India for Paris.

Bhowneesh had been part of the Indian team that won the silver medal in the World Cup in Korea this season.

Narrow miss

Prithviraj Tondaiman shot 119 and missed the final by one point. Of course, there were nine shooters who did not make it to the final after shooting 120, as only two others could get in following a long shoot-off.

The third Indian in the fray, Vivaan Kapoor was off colour and finished 119th with a score of 107.

In women's trap, Neeru shot 111, following rounds of 20, 24, 22, 22 and 23 to place 29th. Shreyasi Singh (110) and Manisha Keer (102) finished 35th and 61st respectively.

The results: Men's trap: 1. Derrick Scott Mein (USA) 33 (22)5 (122); 2. Nathan Hales (GBR) 31 (22) 121; 3. Kun-Pi Yang (Tpe) 23 (20)1 (123); 4. Bhowneesh Mendiratta 13 (24) 121; 22. Prithviraj Tondaiman 119; 119. Vivaan Kapoor 107.

Hamilton vows maximum attack

Reuters
KUALA LUMPUR

Seven times Formula One world champion Lewis Hamilton vowed maximum attack to the end of the season on Wednesday as Mercedes seek to wrest second place from Ferrari in the constructors' standings and end a win drought.

Runaway leaders Red Bull and reigning champion Max Verstappen are set for a title double but the battle for the runner-up slot, and some bragging rights as best of the rest, looks open.

Ferrari is only 35 points clear of Mercedes – which is yet to win this year – with six rounds remaining.

"Our goal is to try and get second for the team because that does make a huge impact for everyone back at the factory," said Hamilton. "So these next six races are just about maximum attack, nothing to lose and we're just going to give it hell."

Shivkumar Kheny elected BTC chairman

Sports Bureau
BENGALURU

Shivkumar Kheny has been unanimously elected as the chairman & senior Steward of the Bangalore Turf Club for the year 2022-2023 following the 61st Annual General Meeting of the club on Monday.

Shivkumar Kheny.

Stewards: Shivkumar Kheny (chairman), Naval R. Narielwalla, Satish N. Gowda. Arvind Raghavan, K.N. Shanta Kumar and A.C. Satishchandra.
Committee members: Dr. C.A. Prashanth, K. Shasha Bindu Das, Anish Sood, and Darshan Lokesh.
Govt nominees: I.S.N. Prasad, IAS (Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt of Karnataka Finance Department) and Pratap C. Reddy, IPS (Commissioner of Police, Bangalore City).

Ebden gets best price of ₹8.45 lakh at Tennis Premier League auction; Karman, Ramkumar, Balaji and Kadhe also command a good buy from the franchises

Star-studded: Leander Paes, Sania Mirza, Sonali Bendre, Kim Sharma, Punit Balan at the TPL auction in Mumbai.
SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Sports Bureau
MUMBAI

Karman Kaur Thandi, Ramkumar Ramanathan, Sriram Balaji and Arjun Kadhe breached the ₹6 lakh mark among the Indians in the auction for the Tennis Premier League (TPL). The fourth edition of TPL will be staged at the Balewadi Stadium in Pune from December 7 to 11.

Wimbledon men's doubles champion Matthew Ebden of Australia was picked for the best price of ₹8.45 lakh by Delhi Binny's Brigade.

Karman was taken for ₹6.55 lakh by Bengaluru Spartans, Ramkumar for ₹6.7 lakh by Mumbai Leon Army, Balaji for ₹6.05 lakh by Finecab Hyderabad Strikers and Arjun Kadhe for ₹6.70 lakh by Pune Jaguars.

The Pune team will also have Rutuja Bhosale and Vijay Sundar Prashanth. "As the home team, I am looking forward to the stadium being full for Pune Jaguars", said team owner Sonali Bendre Behl.

Delhi will have Sowjanya Bavisetti and Siddanth Banthia apart from Ebden.

Mumbai Leon Army, coowned by Leander Paes, also took Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan and Valeriya Strakhova of Ukraine.

"It is going to be the most exhilarating TPL season yet. It is a testament to the efforts of Kunal Thakkur and Mrunal Jain to make the league grow in every edition," said Paes.

"The talent is going to make the fourth edition most competitive yet. The innovative format helps the players test themselves in pressure situations and improve their game," said Sania Mirza, the brand ambassador for Bengaluru Spartans.

The teams:
Delhi Binny's Brigade: Matthew Ebden (Aus), Sowjanya Bavisetti, Siddanth Banthia.
Finecab Hyderabad Strikers: Conny Perrin (Sui), Sriram Balaji, Niki Poonacha;.
Mumbai Leon Army: Ramkumar Ramanathan, Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan, Valeriya Strakhova (Ukr).
Chennai Stallions: Illya Marchenko (Ukr), Anastasia Gasanova (Rus), Anirudh Chandrasekar. **Bengaluru Spartans:** Karman Kaur Thandi, Vishnu Vardhan, Sidharth Rawat; **Pune Jaguars:** Arjun Kadhe, Vijay Sundar Prashanth, Rutuja Bhosale.
Gujarat Panthers: Ankita Raina, Divij Sharan, Manish Sureshkumar; **Punjab Tigers:** Denis Istomin (Uzb), Malek Jaziri (Tun), Diana Marcinkevica (Lat).

Draw keeps Vaishali in eighth spot

Sports Bureau

R. Vaishali drew with former World junior girls' champion Polina Shuvalova in 20 moves following perpetual checks in the 10th and penultimate round of the FIDE Women's Grand Prix chess tournament in Astana, Kazakhstan, on Wednesday.

Russian Kateryna Lagno led the field with 7.5 points. Vaishali was eighth after four players tied at the fifth spot with 4.5 points.

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No:EE/RdWSD/VJP/eproc/Tender/2022-23/970 Dated:23.09.2022

E-Procurment Tender Notification (Short Term)

On behalf of Governor of Govt. of Karnataka Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water and sanitation division, Vijayapur has invited tender through E-procurement Portal for water supply works under different head of accounts as follows.
Single Cover Work reserved for following category contractor
For 1. Gen Contractor - 10
For SC Contractor - 3
For ST Contractor - 3
Last date for submission of online tender through e-proc. is 17.10.2022 at 5.30 PM, Date of opening of Financial bid is 19.10.2022 at 11.00 AM.
Two Cover : 23 Works
Last date for submission of online tender through e-proc. is 17.10.2022 at 5.30 PM Date of opening of Technical bid is 19.10.2022 at 11.00 AM. Date of opening of Financial bid is 21.10.2022 at 11.00 am.
More details can be have from the office of the undersigned and also through http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- (Chandrashekar V Chavan) Executive Engineer, RDW & S Division, Vijayapur

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KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)
No: SEE/EE/Tr/W&M/DVG/EE/AEE-2/F-114/22-23/Cys-54,Cys-55 Dt: 26.09.2022

TENDER NOTIFICATION (e-Procurement Mode Only)

E-Tenders are invited in the prescribed form from Super Grade Licensed Electrical Contractor for the following works.

(1) Bid Enquiry No. KPTCL/SEE/Tr(W&M)/DVG/EE/AEE-2/22-23/33 Call-3 Dated: 23.09.2022 for **Dismantling, Transportation (To & Fro), Repair of faulty Power Transformer, Testing, Assembling, Erection and Commissioning of Repaired faulty Power Transformer of 8MVA, Kanohar MAKE 66/11kV CLASS, Sl.No.KT-8000/18 lying at 66/11kV Balenahalli Station** on Total Turn Key Basis.

No: SEE/EE/Tr/W&M/DVG/EE/AEE-2/F-114/22-23/Cys-56 Dt: 28.09.2022

(2) Bid Enquiry No.KPTCL/SEE/Tr(W&M)/DVG/EE/AEE-2/22-23/34/Call-2 Date: 26.09.2022 for **Dismantling Transportation (To & Fro), Repairs to faulty 20 MVA, NGEF make 66/11kV Class, Sl.No. 2800060082 Power Transformer failed at 66/11kV Chitradurga Sub-station** on Total Turn Key Basis.

No: SEE/EE/Tr/W&M/DVG/EE/AEE-2/F-114/22-23/Cys-56 Dt: 28.09.2022

(3) Bid Enquiry No.KPTCL/SEE/Tr(W&M)/DVG/EE/AEE-2/22-23/8 Call-3 Date: 30.08.2022 for **Replacement of 03 Nos of age old 11kV KIOSK Breakers by PCVCB's at 66/11kV MUSS JG Hally in Chitradurga District on PTK basis.**

Tender will be accepted through **e-Procurement** Mode only. For further details prospective bidders are advised to log on to website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** or **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** & click on to hyperlink **e-Procurement-kptcl** to participate in e-Procurement portal **on or after for Sl.No. (1) 28.09.2022. Sl.No. (2) 29.09.2022. & Sl.No.(3) 30.09.2022.**

Sd/- Superintending Engineer, (Ele.), Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Near Stadium, Hadadi Road, Davanagere.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Pulikeshinagar Division, BBMP Office Building, Robertson Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore.

No: EE/PN/TEND /12/2022-23 Date :28.09.2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Pulikeshinagar Division invites the item rate tenders from eligible contractors for the construction works detailed in the table below.

For General Category Works :

Sl. No.	Ward No.	Est. Cost (Rs. in lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)	No. of Works
1	74	10.00 to 19.00	25,000 to 47,500	13
2	75	10.00 to 19.00	25,000 to 47,500	15
3	76	9.00 to 19.00	22,500 to 47,500	11
4	77	15.00 to 19.00	37,500 to 47,500	10
5	78	10.00 to 19.00	25,000 to 47,500	11
6	79	10.00 to 19.00	25,000 to 47,500	15
7	80	15.00 to 16.00	37,500 to 40,000	8
For SC Category Works				
1	74	17.00 Each	21,250 Each	2
2	75	19.00 Each	23,750 Each	2
3	76	15.00 to 19.00	18,750 to 23,750	3
4	77	15.00 to 19.00	18,750 to 23,750	4
5	78	19.00 Each	23,750 Each	2
6	79	10.00 to 19.00	12,500 to 23,750	4
7	80	13.00 to 15.00	16,250 to 18,750	2
For ST Category Works				
1	74	19.00 Each	23,750 Each	1
2	77	15.00 to 19.00	18,750 to 23,750	2
3	78	19.00 Each	23,750 Each	1
4	79	10.00 Each	12,500 Each	3
5	80	15.00 Each	18,750 Each	1
			Total Works	110

1) Tender documents may be downloaded from GOK e-Procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **06.10.2022 onwards 2)** Last date for uploading filled documents **: 25.10.2022 upto 16.00 Hrs. 3)** Date of opening of tenders: **27.10.2022 at 11.00 Hrs,** if possible. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours & also from website: **www.eproc. karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Pulikeshianagar Division.

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KITS intends to hire the resources on contract basis and the details are given below:-

Sl. No.	Designation	Minimum Quantification / Experience	Remuneration Consolidated
1	Manager – Program Funding **No of Posts** : 01	02 years full-time MBA/PGDM/PGDBA / M.Sc. (Biotechnology/Microbiology) with minimum 6 years of work experience in funding programs with good analytical skills and strong hold on DATA handling and Management.	Rs.80,000/-
2	Technical Consultant **No of Posts** : 01	B.E.(CSE/ISE)/M.C.A. with coding knowledge to update the code as per requirement, maintenance of Database, website and other related technical skills with minimum experience of 5 years.	Rs.45,000/-
3	Project Executive **No of Posts** : 01	Any degree with computer knowledge, minimum 5 years of work experience in Incubators/Accelerators/Start-up ecosystem.	Rs.45,000/-
4	Accounts Assistant **No of Posts** : 01	B.Com/M.Com, with computer knowledge, minimum 5 years experience in accountancy, Tally entry, Preparing UC's and submitting etc.	Rs.35,000/-

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for the above posts with age limit less than 35 years. The posts are contractual and for a maximum period of 12 months.

The details are available at https://itbtst.karnataka.gov.in. The eligible candidates should mail their updated bio-data and a recent passport size colour photo along with other supporting documents to gm1.ktech@ka.gov.in and ipokbits@gmail.com before 25-10-2022 by 5.00 pm. Interview will be conducted for shortlisted candidates only. The decision of Selection Committee will be final and binding.

Sd/-
Managing Director

KARNATAKA INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY SOCIETY (KITS)
Department of Electronics, IT, BT and S&T, Government of Karnataka
BMTC Central Offices Building, TTMC 'B' Block, 4th Floor, Shanthinagar, KH Road, Bangalore-560027. India Phone : 080-2223-1006 / 8, E-mail: kitsgok@karnataka.gov.in

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VISVESVARAYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED

(A Govt of Karnataka Enterprise)
Office of the Executive Engineer, VJNL. U.B.P Division No.2, B.R.Project-577 115
Phone No: 08282-256345 E-Mail id: eeubp2@rediffmail.com
CIN No. U41000KA2016SGC097260
No: EE/VJNL/UBP/D2/BRP/PB/2022-23/ 835,836,837,838,839,840,841,842,843,844
Dated: 23/09/2022

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through e-Procurement only)

On behalf of the Managing Director, Visvesvaraya Jala Nigam Limited, Bangalore, the Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP Division No.2, B R Project, Shimoga District, Karnataka invites 4701 SCP-TSP Works tender through e-procurement portal on "Percentage basis"for the works from KPWD Class –III / Class-IV and above enrolled contractors mentioned against each work. The intending bidders may submit bids as an individual / Company/ Firm.The detail of works is mentioned below. The bidders are required to submit their tenders in One/Two Cover System including EMD in E-Cash. The tenders are through e-procurement portal only. The Blank tender documents can be obtained from the Website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Detailed Statement of tender:

Two Cover System

Sl.No. 1. Name of work: Construction of Canals for various SC colonies in Kadavanthi Grama panchayath in Chikkmagaluru Taluk, B.Kanaburu Grama panchayath of Narasimharajapura taluk and Improvements to tank in Begaru Grama panchayath of Sringeri taluk in Chikkamagaluru District under SCP Programmes (Package -I) VJNL/2022-23/IW/WORK_INDENT2292 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 58,31,742 **EMD (Rs.):** 59,000 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class–III and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

Sl.No. 2. Name of work: Construction of CC roads and Drains in various SC colonies in Attikudige Grama panchayath of Koppa taluk, B.Kanaburu Grama panchayath &Muttinakoppa Grama panchayath of Narasimharajapura taluk in Chikkamagaluru District under SCP Programmes (Package-II) VJNL/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT2293 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 67,70,721 **EMD (Rs.):** 68,000 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class–III and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

One Cover System

Sl.No. 3. Name of work: Construction of CC roads in various ST colonies in Huyigere Grama panchayath of Chikkamagaluru taluk and B.Kanaburu Grama panchayath of Narasimharajapura taluk in Chikkamagaluru District under TSP Programmes (Package-III)VJNL/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT2294 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 21,15,091 **EMD (Rs.):** 22,000 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class –IV and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

Sl.No. 4. Name of work: Construction of canal to provide irrigation facility to lands belongs to Sasigolli Schedule Tribe people of Meega village in Begaru Grama panchayath of Sringeri taluk, Chikkamagaluru district under TSP ProgrammeVJNL/2022-23/IW/WORK_INDENT2289 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 21,16,652 **EMD (Rs.):** 22,000 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class –IV and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

Sl.No. 5. Name of work: Construction of canal to provide irrigation facility to lands belongs to Hadagunduru Schedule Tribe people of Ginikal village in Menase Gramapanchayath of Sringeri taluk, Chikkamagaluru district under TSP Programme " RESERVED FOR ST "I: VJNL/2022-23/IW/WORK_INDENT2288 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 21,17,272 **EMD (Rs.):** 21,500 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class –IV and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

Sl.No. 6. Name of work: Improvement to linking road of Nayakana Katte Schedule caste colony in Guddethota Gramapanchayath of Koppa taluk, Chikkamagaluru district under SCP Programme " RESERVED FOR ST"VJNL/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT2287 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 16,94,157 **EMD (Rs.):** 21,500 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class –IV and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

Sl.No. 7. Name of work: Construction of Canal and Culvert for Meluhulugaru Halla in Marithotlu Grama panchayath of Koppa taluk, Chikkamagaluru district under SCP Programme. " RESERVED FOR SC"VJNL/2022-23/IW/WORK_INDENT2285 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 16,92,720 **EMD (Rs.):** 21,500 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class –IV and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

Sl.No. 8. Name of work: Construction of CC road from Simse-Kallikoppa main road to Kadlevani ST colony of Gubbiga Grama panchayath in Narasimharajapura taluk, Chikkamagaluru district under TSP Programme " RESERVED FOR SC"VJNL/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT2291 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 12,68,776 **EMD (Rs.):** 16,000 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class –IV and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

Sl.No. 9. Name of work: Construction of canal to provide irrigation facility to lands belongs to Kanive kalyani site Schedule Caste people in Muttinakoppa Gramapanchayath of Narasimharajapura taluk, Chikkamagaluru district under SCP Programme " RESERVED FOR SC"VJNL/2022-23/IW/WORK_INDENT2286 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 8,46,722 **EMD (Rs.):** 11,000 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class –IV and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

Sl.No. 10. Name of work: Construction of CC road in ST colony in B.Kanaburu Grama panchayath of Narasimharajapura taluk, Chikkamagaluru district under TSP Programme " RESERVED FOR SC "VJNL/2022-23/RD/WORK_INDENT2290 **Amount Put to Tender In Rs (Excluding GST):** 8,46,837 **EMD (Rs.):** 11,000 **Category of the Agency:** Registered in KPWD Class –IV and above **Period (Including Monsoon):** 6 Months (Including Monsoon)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS: 1. The above tenders are published through e-portal on dated: 29-09-2022 from 11.00 Hrs **2.** Last date and time for clarification/Queries is on dated: 07-10-2022 upto16.00 hours. **3.** Last date and time for submission of filled bids through e-portal on 08-10-2022 upto17.30 hours. **4.** Opening of Technical bid for Sl.no 1 & 2 and Opening of Financial bid from Sl.no 3 to 10 is on 10-10-2022 at the office of Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP Division No.2, B.R. Project at 17.30 hours onwards.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP Division No.2,B.R.Project-577115

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Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Kolar Division, Kolar-563101

e-mail : eepwdkolar07@gmail.com, website: www.kpwd.gov.in
e-portal : http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in
Phone No. 08152-222022, Fax No.: 08152-227443

e-Tender Notification - K.W. 3
Tender notification No. 13/2022-23 Dt: 05.09.2022

Tender is invited through e-Procurement for the road work in the limits of Kolar Taluk, Kolar District Public Works Department from the Registered Contractors under **H/A: 5054- S.H improvements.** Amount put to tender: **Rs.100.00 Lakhs**. EMD Amount: **Rs.2.00 Lakhs.** Period for completion of work: **9 months.** Contractors may download the tender documents KW-3 from Karnataka State e-Procurement portal **(viz.,htpp://eproc. karnataka.gov.in).** Filled in tenders shall be uploaded on or before: **4.00 p.m. on 29.09.2022** through Karnataka State e-Procurement portal. Tender received will be opened after: **4.30 p.m. on 30.09.2022** in e-Procurement. Further details regarding the works and also for details about this tender notification please contact e-Procurement portal and also you may contact this office during working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD, Kolar Division, kolar

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My Client **K.G. Vasantha Kumar & G. Srinivasa,** No. 15/1, Panchala Ankanna Lane, Manavarthpet, Bengaluru – 560 053, intends to purchase below mentioned Schedule Property from Its **Present Owner Kishore Kumar**, No.542, 18th Cross, First Block, R.T. Nagar, Bengaluru – 560 032.
If any person/s, Institution, Bank, Firm, Any Financial Organization etc., have got any objections for proposed purchase or having any right, claim, share, title and interest in the Schedule Property they may lodge their objections/claims with the undersigned or directly, along with supporting documents within 15 days from this publication and if any objections/claims received thereafter will not be binding on or entertained by my Client and my Client will proceed to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property as if, there are no claims / objections.

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M.H.SOMANATH,
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CHANGE OF NAME

I, PONMANI. R w/o sunder Raj R Date of birth 16.07.1992 Residing at No Edayankulam (St) , Kammavanpettai (post & vill) Vellore (tk & dt) pin 632319 Tamil Nadu Have changed my name Ponmani S for all purpose

I, KIRAN.M.N R/o No 1, Sub registrar office road, Puttaswamy Layout, Vinayakanagar, Hessarghatta Bengaluru-560088, Karnataka have changed my Minor Daughter's name from Tanvi Kiran to Tanvi.K.Gowda vide affidavit dt: 28.09.2022 sworn before Notary Manjula Jangam, B'lore.

I, KOMAL Kumari.V, R/o No-32/327, 10th A main road, 3rd Block Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011, Karnataka have changed my name to Komal D Jain vide affidavit dt: 28.09.2022 sworn before Notary Manjula Jangam, B'lore.

I, Bhagawath K V. S/o. Venkataram K.S , Residing at 509, 2A Cross, 4th Main, near Cmr College, Ombr Layout, Banaswadi, Bengaluru - 560043, changed my minor son name from Anjan Aadithya Bharadwaj to Shriram Aaditya Bharadwaj for all purposes.

I, Hariprasad Allaka S/o Sankara Rao Allaka, R/o: No 146, Anchal Nivas, 15th Cross Ramesh Nagar, Bengaluru-560037, changed my minor Daughter name from Akira Hariprasad Allaka to Riya Hariprasad for all purposes.

I, Renuka C D/o Chandramouli M S , R/o:44 Ist Flr 1st main 1st cross Chandra layout Nagarbhavi, Bengaluru -560 072, changed my name to Lakshyaa Suvarna Mouli for all purposes

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE IV ADDL. HON'BLE CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BENGALURU [C.H.No.21]
O.S. No. 25632/2021

Between :
M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd., Having its branch office at 4/10, Mythree Tower Bommanahalli Hosur Main Road, Bangalore- 560 068 and represented by its Collection Manager Mr. Pramod G. **...PLAINTIFF AND**
Mr. Subhasish Das
...DEFENDANT

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT

Mr. Subhasish Das.
S/o. Mr. Subhash Chandra Das Residing at No.23/24, 2nd Floor, Shanimahatma Temple Compound, 7th Cross, 2nd Main Shakambari Nagar, 1st Phase, J P Nagar, Bangalore 560078
Also at
Vill Gobindnagar Post Lal Ganesh Road, Kanpur, Assam 781034

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted the above proceedings against you seeking recovery of Rs. 4,02,408.84/- as on 19/04/2021 along with interest 24% P.A. and other consequential relief. You are hereby summoned to appear before the **Hon'ble IV Addl. City Civil Judge, Mayo hall at Bangalore** (CH-21) in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the above proceedings on 21/11/2022 at 11:00 A.M. take notice that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned before the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of this Court, this 17th day of September, 2022.

By Order of this Hon'ble Court
Asst./ Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court
Mayo hall, Bengaluru

Advocate For Plaintiff
ANVAYA LAW, ADVOCATES AND CONSULTANTS
First Floor, Indian Express Building No.1, Queens Road, Bengaluru- 560001
Cell No. 9845806822
vasudevan.hn@anvayalaw.com

PERSONAL

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Venkatesh Vishnumpet Sundaresan S/oV.S.Sundaresan, R/o: No.42, Prestige Woodside, Off Doddaballapur Main Rd, Nr. Crpf Campus Ananthapura, Bengaluru-560064,changed my minor son name from Nanda Gopal V V Alias Nanda Gopal V V to Nandagopal Venkatesh for all purposes.

PUBLIC NOTICE

DOCUMENT LOST

I, V. Narayanaswamy, have lost my Original Documents Release Deed and Maintenance Deed of the property situated in Uchanapalli Village, Noganoor Post, Denkanikottai Taluk, Krishnagiri District, Tamilnadu.
Maintenance Deed Doc. No. 1388 dated 04/10/1947 Sy. No. 556, 1 Acre 74 cents.
Release Deed Doc. No. 959 dated 16/05/1969 Sy. No. 556, 1 Acre 74 cents and other properties of different survey Nos.

SRO Denkanikottai
Lost the above Documents while shifting my house to Bhuvaneshwarinagar, Dasarahalli, Bengaluru-560 024.

Case Registered

Finder please Contact:
V. Narayanaswamy
R/o No. 71, 6th Cross, Verma Layout, Bhuvaneshwarinagar, Dasarahalli, Bengaluru - 560 024
Mobile No:
9686542627, 9880460820

IN THE COURT OF ADDITIONAL DISTRICT JUDGE, (FTC), VELLORE
M.C.O.P. No. 253/2022

GIRIJA DEVI & OTHERS ...Petitioners
-Vs-
PRAVEEN & OTHERS ...Respondents

NOTICE

To: R. Praveen, S/o. P.Raju, No.99, KSCB, Quarters, Lakshmi Devi Nagara, NLO, Bangalore - 96.

The above petitioners filed the above petition claiming compensation as against the respondents in the above court. The said petition stand posted on **14/10/2022** to the appearance of the 1st respondent, hence take notice that the 1st respondents of the above petition directed to appear before the said court on the said date on **10.30 a.m.** either in person or through his counsel failing compliance the matter will be decided as ex - parte.

B.SUDHAKAR, B.Com., LLB.,
Advocate,
Vellore.

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF HON'BLE 26th CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYOHALL AT BENGALURU (CCH-20)
O.S. No. 25192/2021

BETWEEN
M/s. ICICI BANK LTD.
Having its branch office at 4/10, Mythree Tower Bommanahalli Hosur Main Road, Bangalore- 560 068 and represented by its Collection Manager Mr. Pramod G. **...Plaintiff**
AND
MR. SHANKARA MURTHY R,
S/o. Rangappa C, Aged about 30 Years, R/at No.03, Srinivasa Reddy Building, Market Road, Electronic City, Near Canara Bank ATM, Bangalore- 560100
...Defendant
And also at
Kunugali, Near by Government High School, Holalkere, Chitradurga-577531. **...Defendant**

Whereas the Plaintiff has instituted the above proceedings against you seeking recovery of **Rs. 4,98,546/- as on 29/01/2021** along with interest at 24% P.A. and other consequential reliefs. You are hereby summoned to appear before the **Hon'ble 26th City Civil Judge, Mayo hall at Bangalore (CCH-20)** in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the above proceedings on **10/11/2022** at **11:00 A.M.** take notice that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned before the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this court, this **20th day** of **September, 2022.**

By order of this Hon'ble Court

Advocate for Plaintiff
ANVAYA LAW, ADVOCATES AND CONSULTANTS
First floor. Indian Express Building, No1, Queens Road, Bengaluru 560001,
Cell No.9845806822,
vasudevan.hn@anvayalaw.com .

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF HON'BLE 26th CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BENGALURU [CCH-20]
O.S. No. 26377/2021

BETWEEN :
M/s. ICICI BANK LTD., Having its branch office at 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanahalli Hosur Main Road, Bangalore- 560 068 and represented by its Collection Manager Mr. Pramodh G. **...PLAINTIFF AND**
MR. RAMAMURTHY
S/o. Rajappa
No.350, Kanakapura Cubbalalu, Maruthingara Behind Mantri Apartment Bengaluru- 560 061
Also at :
Flat No.110, 1st Floor Garuda Estilo Homes Kadugodi Village, Near Murugan Temple Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru-560062 **...DEFENDANT**

WHEREAS the Plaintiff has instituted the above proceedings against you seeking recovery of Rs. 9,75,455.48/- as on 01/12/2021 along with interest 24% P.A. and other consequential relief. You are hereby summoned to appear before the **Hon'ble 26th City Civil Judge, Mayo Hall at Bangalore** (CCH-20) in personally or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the above proceedings on 15/11/2022 at 11:00 A.M. take notice that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned before the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of this Court, this 20th day of September, 2022.

By Order of this Hon'ble Court

Advocate For Plaintiff
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IN THE COURT OF 26th HON'BLE CITY CIVIL JUDGE, MAYO HALL AT BENGALURU [CCH-20]
O.S. No. 25633/2021

Between :
M/s. ICICI Bank Ltd., Having its branch office at 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanahalli Hosur Main Road, Bangalore- 560 068 and represented by its Collection Manager Mr. Pramodh G. **...PLAINTIFF AND**
Mr. Dharmendra Kumar
...DEFENDANT

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT

To,
MR. DHARMENDRA KUMAR
S/o. Mr. Suvind Prasad
Aged About 33 Years
Residing at No. 16/5, 1st Stage, IDB Bank, Bengaluru-560068.
Also at :
Hundari Bansbigha Hilsa Nalanda Near Post Office, Bihar- 804451.

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